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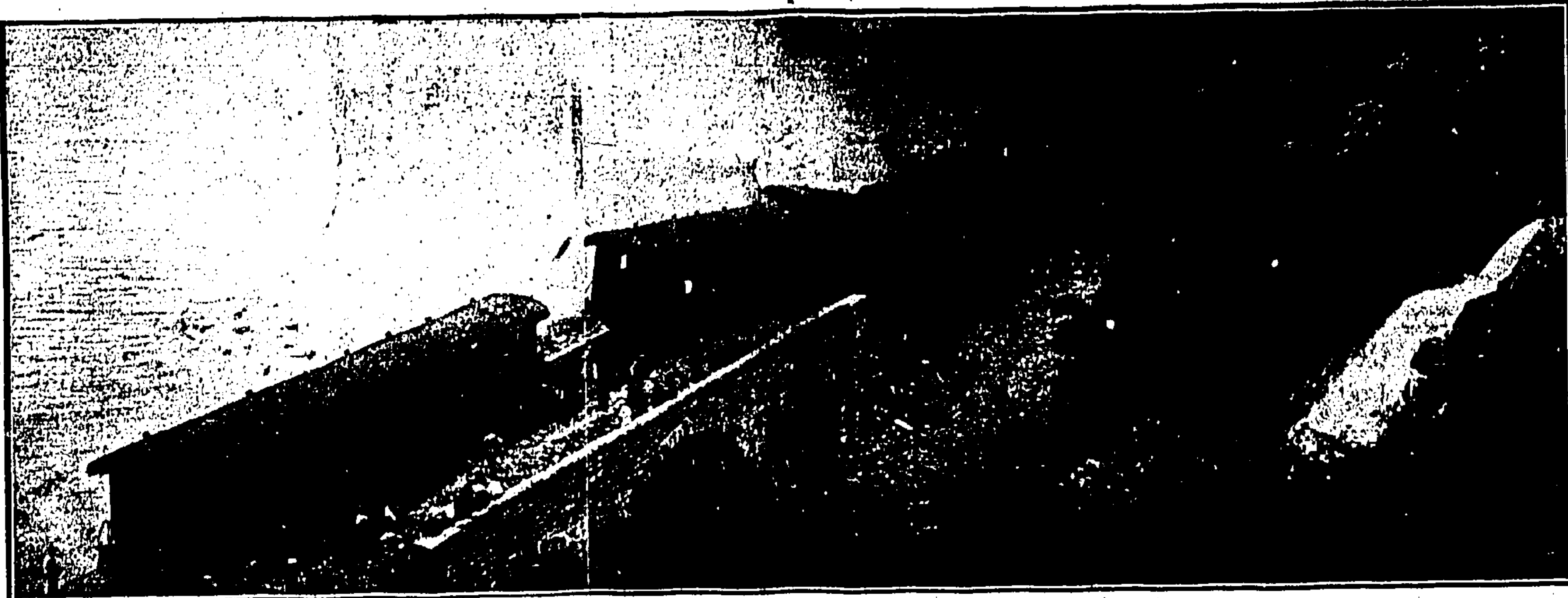
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K.C.R. OUT OF ACTION TILL JUNE: SPECIAL PICTURES.

THE SHATIN WASHOUT.
WRECKED TRAIN IMMOVABLE.
DEATH OF DRIVER DENIED.
INQUIRY LATEST.



The Kowloon - Canton Railway has been put out of action for at least five weeks. This was made emphatically clear this morning by officials of the K.C.R. who explained that this unfortunate position was the result of the Shatin washout (pictured on this page) and not of the disastrous derailment of the Shumchun train.

Nothing can be done to remove the wreckage until repairs have been effected at Shatin to allow breakdown equipment to reach the scene of the tragedy.

Report Denied.

The report of the death of the driver of the engine is denied by hospital authorities. He sustained a fracture of the leg, but the accident was not serious enough to necessitate amputation.

The elder of the youths who each had a leg amputated yesterday, succumbed to his injuries in hospital. The younger is in a critical condition. He is badly injured apart from the leg amputation, but there are hopes that he will recover.

The total known death-roll is eleven. Ten seriously injured passengers are lying in Kowloon Hospital.

No Public Inquiry?

It was suggested unofficially this morning that there may be no public inquiry into the train disaster, though all such inquiries in England are held in public.

It was stated that the first step will probably be the holding of a Departmental Inquiry, which will investigate the technical aspects of the mishap. Afterwards, if it is considered necessary, an inquiry will be held on the victims. If decided upon by the responsible officers, it may be held at the Tai Po Magistracy, or by Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy. No official steps appear to have been taken up to the present.

Railway Statement.

Seen by a representative of the Telegraph this morning, Mr. C. A. Walker, Acting Manager, and Mr. C. D. Lambert, Chief Mechanical Engineer, of the K. C. R., stated that the position at the No. 3 tunnel, near which the Shumchun train plunged into the ravine, was the same as yesterday, practically, and would probably remain the same until the Shatin washout had been repaired and communication by rail made with Kowloon.

A gang of 60 coolies was working there at present, and would remain until it had completed its work.

"We cannot do much without a crane," Mr. Walker said, "for the wreckage is in an extremely awkward position, and there is a grave risk that if we attempt anything without adequate equipment, the lives of some of our workmen may be lost. At present we are attempting to cut through the fourth coach, but I do not know if we shall continue with that task."

Two Bodies Unrecovered.

Two bodies can now be seen in the wreckage. Mr. Walker continued, and every attempt was being made to extricate them. It was, however, impossible to tell if the mass of tangled wood and metal that remains of the third coach, holds any more bodies. So far no one had come forward to identify the victims still in the wreckage.

Speaking of the washout at Shatin, Mr. Lambert stated that a start was being made on repair work immediately, but much timber had to be prepared before a real start could be made at the actual

STORM HAVOC IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

BRIDGE WRECK ON CASTLE PK. RD.

SHATIN FLOODS.

It is possible that the Tai Po road will be open for traffic either to-day or to-morrow, as rapid progress has been made in repairing the gaping hole in the road just on the other side of the Shatin station, where Dr. Farr's car sank through on Monday night.

The car was removed yesterday afternoon, and was found to be not as much damaged as its position indicated. A start was immediately made to fill in the hole, and Mr. Carpenter, the Assistant D.P.W., stated this morning that he hoped to have traffic on the road by to-morrow at the latest.

Some washouts on the Castle Peak road will close that road to traffic for an indefinite period.

Mr. Carpenter told our reporter that a bridge has been wrecked at So Kon Wah, on the other side of Tai Lam Cheung, and that there are also two minor washouts. These latter are being filled in at present, and will give little difficulty, but as he has not yet viewed the damaged bridge, no estimate can be given of how long the road will be closed.

Mr. Carpenter remarked that the extent of the heavy floods in the Shatin Valley could be seen by the water marks left. In many places they rose above the railings of the road bridges. In addition many old Chinese bridges had been swept completely away.

Almost Cloudburst.

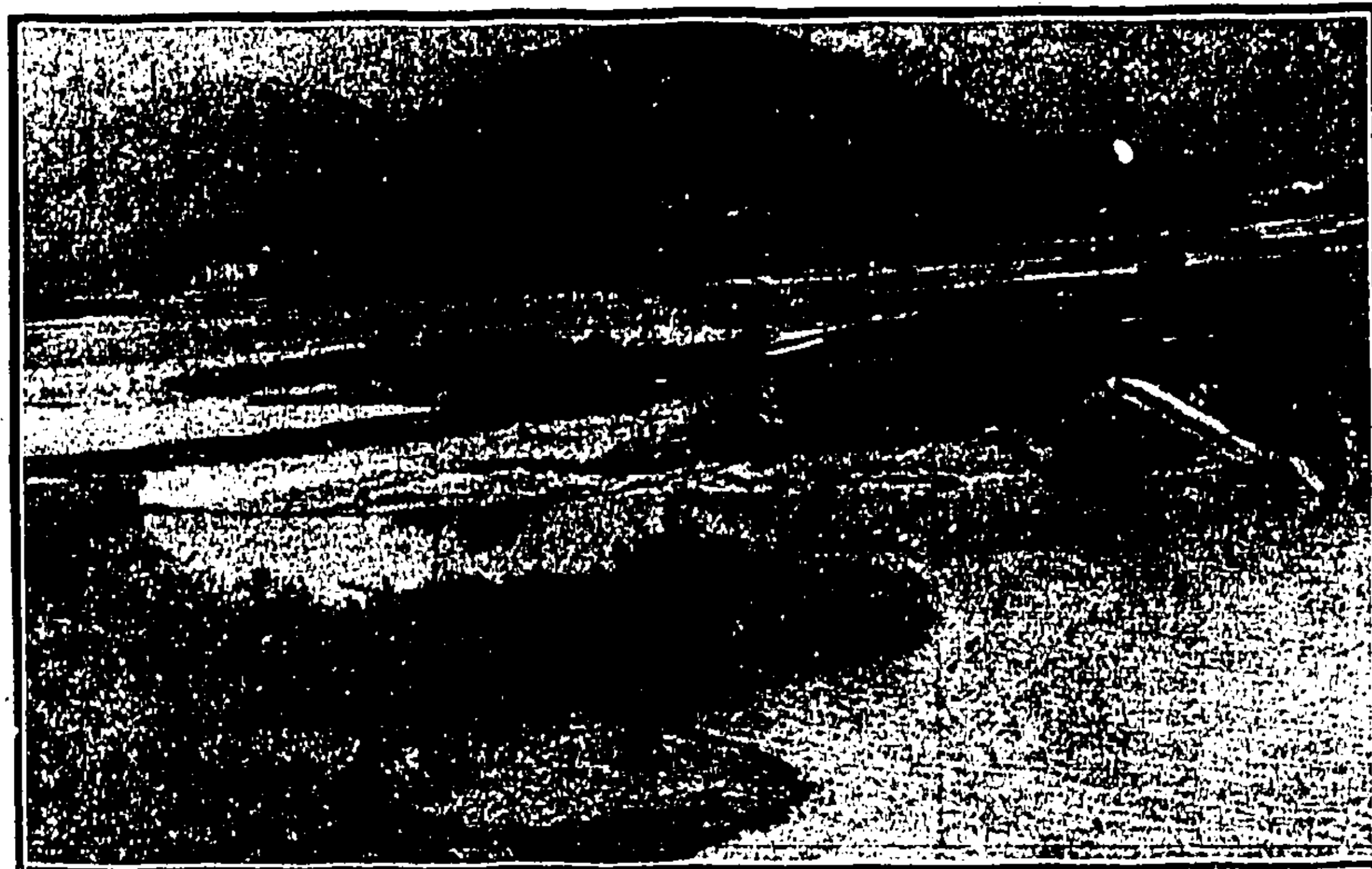
Further evidence that the flood of water which descended upon the Tai Mo Shan region on Monday afternoon was almost a cloudburst, the nature of a cloudburst, is provided by the scene at the Shing Mun Valley waterworks, where a good deal of damage has been done. The works already completed stood up to the strain fairly well, and water supplies will not be affected.

The new work proceeding is reported to have suffered heavily.

washaway.

"It will be better for us to make a full job of it, while we are about it," declared Mr. Lambert. "Purely temporary repairs will not do, for it will have to stand the weight of heavy breakdown equipment which includes our special crane weighing 84 tons."

Both Mr. Walker and Mr. Lambert were emphatic that unless the two tasks turned out to be less difficult than they appeared now, there was absolutely no possibility of the Kowloon-Canton service being resumed before June.



Top picture shows a bird's eye view of the wreckage of the Shumchun train, taken from the motor road. It gives a graphic idea of the nature of the disaster. At the bottom is seen the serious washout at Shatin, which puts the railway out of action until June. The remains of one side of a stone and concrete bridge are shown, with the sleepers rails festooned over the gulf. (Photos: A. Fong.)

Joint Letter to Mission.

Dollar Stability Movement.

SUPPORT SOUGHT

Thanks to a lead given by a number of local firms, an opportunity is being provided all who favour a stabilised currency for the Colony to register their views with the Currency Commission.

Copies of a letter, setting forth the main arguments in favour of stabilisation, and which is to be forwarded to the Commission, are now lying at the Anderson Music Co., Kelly and Walsh, the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, the Sincere Co., and Messrs. Brewer and Co., for signature.

In connexion with this move, we have received the following letter for publication:

Sir—We, the undersigned, being persuaded that a respectable majority of the Mercantile and Investing Community of this Colony are in favour of a stabilised currency, but knowing also that in this majority there are many who, not for personal reasons, feel inclined to take advantage of the offer of the Currency Commission to consider their views in writing, hereby inform any such persons that a letter has been drafted setting out the main arguments in favour of stabilisation, and that copies of the same are on view on the premises of the firms named, awaiting their consideration and signature. It is our hope that in this, the greatest financial crisis the Colony has ever faced, no one who believes in a stabilised currency, and has

MANILA AIR TRAGEDY.

CRASH CAUSED BY A BACKWASH. LIEUTENANT DEAD.

Manila, Apr. 22. Lieutenant Marvin Burnside, of the United States Army, and a well-known pilot, was killed yesterday in a "freak" crash at Fort St. Otensburg.

A big bombing plane was setting off from Fort St. Otensburg, and Lieut. Burnside, as a farewell gesture to his friend aboard, jumped into a small parashute plane, and followed in the wake of the bomber.

The backwash from the propellers of the bigger machine sent him crashing to earth from a low altitude. The plane was wrecked and when Lieutenant Burnside was got out he was already dead.

The bombing plane, which was piloted by Lieutenant Huggins, a close friend of Burnside, continued its flight and it was not until Lieut. Huggins reached Manila that he knew of the tragedy.—*Reuter.*

not otherwise placed his belief on record, will evade this his very obvious and simple duty to himself and the Colony—Yours, etc., Blair & Co., Import and export merchants.

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Golden Eggs in Turtles.

Shanghai Customs' Discovery.

UNIQUE DEVICE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Apr. 22.

One of the most remarkable smuggling devices ever detected in China, and one rather gruesome in a way, was brought to light by suspicious officials of the Chinese Maritime Customs yesterday, resulting in a seizure of ten gold bars aboard the fast passenger liner, Nagasaki Maru.

The destination of the contraband gold was Japan.

It was found secreted in the bodies of dead turtles, between the upper shell and the lower surface. The smugglers had cleanly and carefully cut the flesh between two bony layers without removing the contents, and into the cavity they had inserted gold bars in four of the beasts.

The fact that a consignment of turtles should be made from Shanghai to Japan aroused the curiosity of officials. It was a fairly large consignment. Some of the turtles were alive and some were dead. They were being conveyed in six baskets. The officials in charge were very suspicious, ruminated awhile and then decided to investigate, with the result that the ingenious attempt was frustrated.

HONGKONG AN OBJECT FOR SYMPATHY.

STRAITS PAPER ON THE DOLLAR.

A LITTLE LESSON.

An expression of sympathy with Hongkong in the currency crisis, and, incidentally, a few words of self-congratulation that the Straits dollar was stabilised at 2/4d. some years ago, is contained in a leaderette in the *Straits Times*.

Those of us, says the journal, who are in the habit of receiving letters or newspaper from Hongkong have noticed with surprise that the colour of the stamps had suddenly changed. There were lots of pretty blue ones, instead of the normal reds and greens, on the newspaper wrappers.

The contents of those wrappers explained why. Hongkong postage rates, as from Apr. 1, went up with a bump. And evidently the Hongkong public are not very pleased about it, because the pretty blue stamps cost 10 cents each, whereas the red ones can be had for 4 cents and the green ones for 2 cents apiece.

A Bit Thicker.

The reasons for the increases are firstly the steady depreciation in the value of the Hongkong dollar and secondly the need which the Colony feels for additional revenue. But, as the Hongkong newspapers point out, the Post Office authorities appear to be laying it on "rather thick." Prior to August 1 last it was possible to send a letter, weighing under an ounce, from Hongkong to the United Kingdom or any British possession for 4 cents, irrespective of whether such letter travelled via Suez or via Siberia.

Rates were raised on August 1 and again on April 1 and to-day the same letter costs 12 cents via Suez and 20 cents via Siberia. Increases of 200 and 400 per cent, respectively make one think! And other rates, too, have advanced though not quite to the same alarming extent.

In these hard times, when the prices of tin and rubber are going down and down, we need something to cheer us up in Singapore and surely we can find it in this little object lesson from Hongkong.

Thank goodness our local dollar is linked to gold and not to silver. Those of us who can still manage to put away a little red note or two at least have the satisfaction of knowing that they will always be worth round about 2s. 4d. each.

There is no chance here of waking up to-morrow to find the Straits dollar taking a toboggan slide toward the price of a pound of rubber. Not only do we know that these little red notes will be well worth having when the happy time for

ALFONSO'S ORDER TO FRIENDS.

NO PLOTTING FOR RESTORATION.

SPAIN BETTER OFF WITHOUT HIM.

THREAT TO LIFE.

London, Apr. 21. Hundreds of police with linked hands to keep back enormous crowds, and a special squad of fifty picked detectives, selected for their intimate knowledge of anarchists, were the features of the scene at Victoria Station on the arrival of King Alfonso to-day, owing to threats upon his life.

Alfonso has issued, through a trusted friend in Paris, a vigorous statement, calling for an end to any conspiracies contemplated for his restoration.

"I hope I shall not go back to Spain, because my not going back will mean the prosperity of my country," declared Alfonso in his most significant statement, which was issued through the Duke of Alba, one of the King's most trusted counsellors.

In an interview the Duke of Alba said that the King would only return to Spain if he were recalled by his subjects. It would be highly repugnant to Alfonso to go back to Madrid with the aid of an armed force, which might lead to bloodshed.

Britain And Republic.

"If Spain became prosperous under the new regime (which has now been recognised by the British Empire), it was thought that Alfonso would definitely retire and remain an exile."

The King had ordered Monarchists to work for Spain. The King wished them, in no circumstances, to participate in conspiracies for his restoration. On the contrary, he hoped they would assist the Republicans to solve the country's problems.

The King's intimates believed that Alfonso would remain out of Spain as an exile, but without abdicating until after the general elections, though nobody knew whether he would renounce the throne in the event of election confirming the Republican victory.

Communism Danger.

The principal task of the Monarchists, if they complied with Alfonso's instruction, was to remain in Spain and try to save the Republic from extremists, who might plunge the country into Communism.

The Duke of Alba denied as a malicious slander that the King had invested millions of dollars abroad. He said the King had invested the greater part of his fortune in Spanish enterprises, and while the King was not actually short of money, he would not be able to lead a life of luxury.

The Duke also denied that the secret of Italo-Spanish Treaty was concluded during the Dictatorship of General Primo de Rivera.

The Duke has left for Madrid to convey the King's recommendations to all Monarchists.

Alfonso arrived at Calais to-day driving his own car, reaching the French port in a little over four hours from Paris.

He departed at 3.15 p.m. for

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Home leave comes at last, but, meanwhile, we cannot fail to notice that, to some extent at least, their buying power in Singapore is tending rather to increase than to decline.

In Singapore a stable dollar provides an incentive to saving. In Hongkong, it would seem, the best thing to do with your money is to spend it, while the going is good, or, at all events, to get it out of the Colony as fast as you possibly can.

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TALK ON BRITISH PRESS.

ROTARIAN BARRETT SPEAKS
AT ROTARY CLUB.

HONGKONG JOURNALS.

The growth of the British Press, its expansion and the important role it plays in the life of the world, was dealt with by Rotarian K. T. Barrett, at the weekly meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club, which was held at Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant yesterday, under the chairmanship of Sir William Hornell.

Mr. B. Wong Tape stated that letters of congratulation on the Hongkong Club had been received from Rotary Clubs at Clapham, London, S.W., Bradford, St. Pancras, London, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, and Orange, New Jersey.

The chairman extended a hearty welcome to the members of the currency commission, Mr. W. H. Clegg, Mr. P. H. Ezechiel and Mr. G. L. M. Clauson, who were guests of the Club, and wished them every success in their mission. (Applause). He also welcomed Rotarian Dr. M. Y. Lum, of the Kuala Lumpur Club, saying that he was an old student of Hongkong University and was now at the Lum Chinese Hospital and Maternity Home, Kuala Lumpur, a very big institution which, last year, dealt with over 3,000 cases.

Dr. Lum pointed out that there were seven or eight Rotary Clubs in Malaya and he belonged to the Kuala Lumpur Club, which was the first to be formed there. Those Clubs, he said, had brought good fellowship to people of all nationalities, by which the Government was directly benefited. He extended hearty congratulations to the Hongkong Club.

Early History.

Speaking on "Journalism," Rotarian Barrett said:—The title of my address should be newspapers rather than journalism, and I might add, British newspapers, but the distinction is small and as the poet puts it, a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.

I shall to-day first say something about newspapers in general, and then refer to our papers in Hongkong.

Newspapers, like many other amenities of modern life, are the product of the great process called the Industrial Revolution, and, like the Industrial Revolution, their development was hastened, forced one might say, by the Napoleonic Wars. In ancient Rome news bulletins of battles and campaigns were posted on public buildings, but the true newspaper is a child of printing.

The days of the wars, and the political crisis of the time of William IV and of Anne, when Marlborough was the national hero, first saw regular publications in London of newspapers, many of them mere broadsheets of political abuse. Defoe, the author of Robinson Crusoe, was an editor, and published his Review three times a week. There was the brilliant cycle of the Spectator, Tatler and later Dr. Johnson's Idler and Rambler, but they were not daily publications giving the events of the known world, and there was no method of distributing them quickly beyond London.

Public's Interest Roused.

During the Napoleonic Wars, which affected the life of the ordinary people, and roused their interest in a manner that no former wars had done, there grew an immense hunger for news. England wanted to know what Nelson and Cornwallis, Moore and Wellington were doing, what the Government was up to, and what mischief Charles James Fox was brewing. The Morning Post was founded in 1772, and the Times in 1785, but it was the wars of the French Revolution that enabled them to get a grip on the nation. About this time Macadam's roads were being made and coach services started, and the population was growing. More men were learning to read, the papers were getting out into

the Provinces, and a few provincial journals were being started. The special interest to us here of the early history of the British Press, is that we see around us the Chinese nation passing through its industrial revolution and the growth, with it, of a new Chinese press. It enables one to understand many of the difficulties with which Chinese papers are faced.

Improved Distribution.

It is not necessary for me to trace in detail how the newspapers solved on inventions and development. The railways opened new possibilities for distribution, the post office and the reducing of postal rates also made new subscribers accessible. From being London affairs only the leading newspapers now saw educated people all over England as potential readers. The invention of the electric telegraph started a new era in the quick supply of distant news. The telegraph made it possible to get quick and reliable intelligence of wars and revolutions in all parts of the world. Think of the advance the telegraph meant upon the old reliance upon letters and travellers' tales. The newspapers could arouse a real interest in world affairs. They no longer concentrated like 18th century journals upon London politics, Old Bailey and Tyburn proceedings, and very witty and spiteful gossip about the Royal Dukes, actresses and other celebrities. There was less and gain but I think the gain predominated.

40 Years Ago.

Most of us are old enough to remember newspapers of 40 and 40 years ago. They were pretty solid affairs—small headlines, small type and most of it rather stodgy reading. When Mr. Gladstone made one of his great Midlothian campaign speeches, a Scottish paper on the top of column one of page one put a small line: "Mr. Gladstone at Edinburgh" (I think it was Edinburgh) and then followed column after column, without any sort of break, of the Grand Old man's mighty oration. Think to-day of the streamer headlines, the brief summary in large type across two columns, of the display of one or two striking phrases, of the "Fourteen points from Mr. Gladstone's Speech," of the "Six Striking passages." Everything would be there—except a full report of what Mr. Gladstone said.

The Victorian newspaper was solid and masculine. It dealt with politics and business, the law courts, particularly great murder trials like the Maybrick and Penge cases, with cricket and the minor wars of the Empire. It was not a thing for women, and women did not bother their pretty heads about the papers.

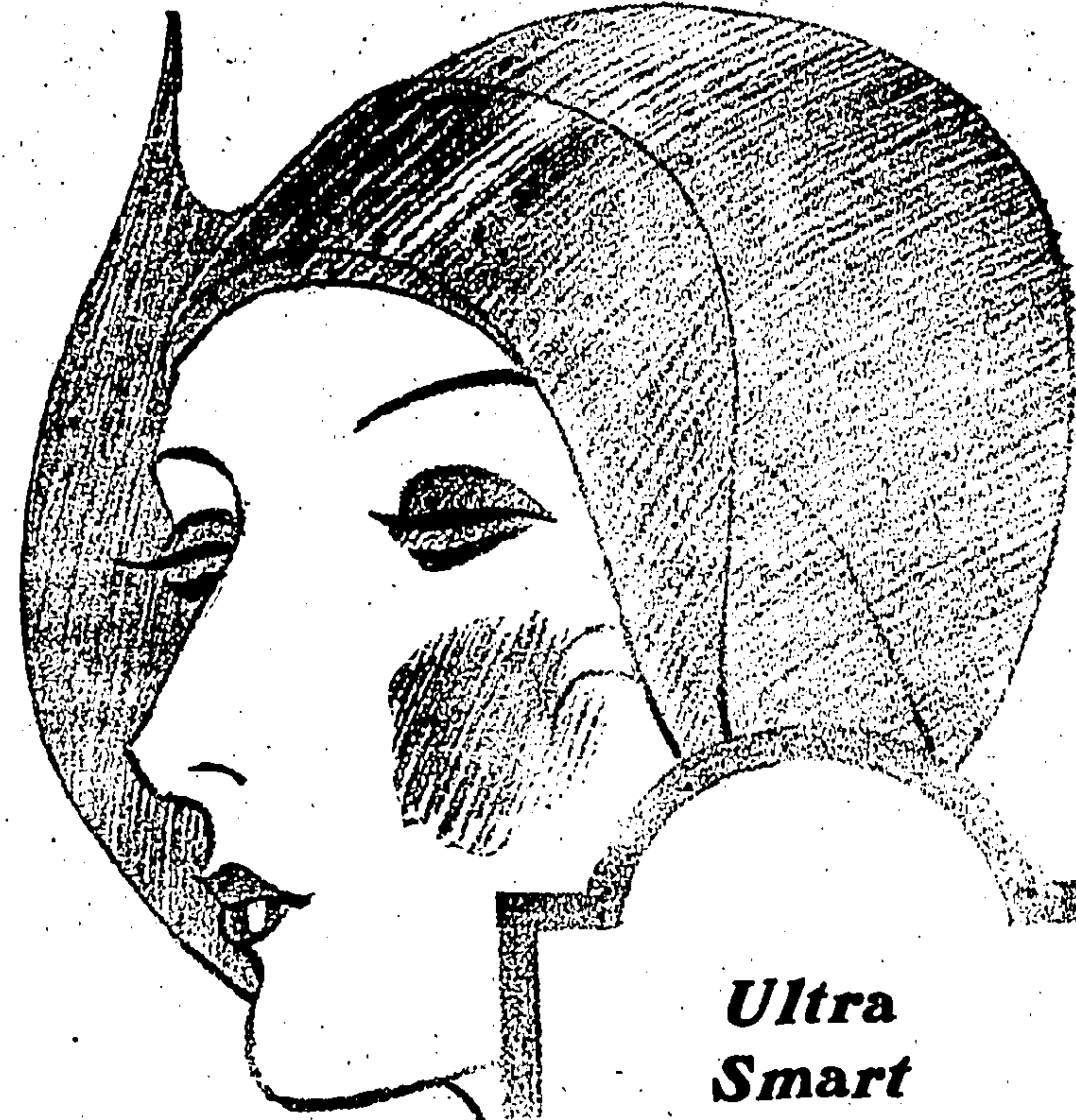
Modern British journalism, as far as any immense movement can be traced to one man, must be traced, for praise and blame, to the late Lord Northcliffe.

Lord Northcliffe's Work.

Lord Northcliffe realised that national education had created an immense source of potential newspaper readers. There were men and women, not very well educated, but with scraps of time scattered about the day which could be very well filled in by reading a newspaper. And Northcliffe was particularly clever in his appeal to women readers. It was the Daily Mail that made Englishwomen readers of newspapers. It was no good serving up nothing but Parliament and serious and solid news. "Short and Snappy Stories" were the requirements. So the Daily Mail, price 1/2d, was born, full of human interest, of exciting stories set out in a way that was easy to read. And let me impress one thing. It was clean. The yellow press may be sensational, it may report a spicy case—but so does the Times, probably more fully, but the tone of the cheap papers is and always has been healthy and clean, like the thrillers of Edgar Wallace, an old Daily Mail man.

New Type Journalist.

Lord Northcliffe also saw that a new type of journalist was needed, and here his genius was never more right. Anyon who can learn shorthand, can take down



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Mr. Gladstone, or a court case, and transcribe it; but the Daily Mail, and other papers of the same kind, needed men who could write a column or half column summarily, and make vivid a long and often dull day's proceedings.

A new type of man, a real story teller and an artist in words became necessary, and in a large proportion of cases he was recruited from Oxford or Cambridge. There are, of course, many other clever youngsters who first of all made their mark in the provinces. They were well paid and well treated and thus a new type of reporter and sub-editor was created.

Propaganda. Newspapers have always been propagandist. Dr. Johnson, and a good Tory, in "reporting" House of Commons debates, saw that the Whig dogs got the worst of it. Reporters, by the way, generally have to construct what an extempore speaker intended to say—personally I have been accused of going further and writing what I think he ought to have

said—but whatever my victims may have thought I have only had one complaint.

However, to get back to propaganda, Northcliffe got the idea of making his readers dance to his tune—I don't know how far he merely introduced it from America, but he initiated the idea of making people eat standard bread, grow sweet peas, and indulge in other pursuits, including aviation.

That propaganda process was developed in the war. It was an intensive press propaganda that ousted Mr. Asquith. It was turned on Lord Kitchener, and also on Jellicoe and Robertson. But the statesman who is generally said to have been behind it, has reason to regret that he started the process. We all know the lengths to which that press propaganda has gone recently. It is an usurpation of power that does not belong to the press and most injurious to the best interests of newspapers and newspaper-men. It is to be hoped that it will be stopped.

Advertising.
I now want to say something of an important feature of newspapers, namely advertising. Formerly advertising was a very sober and restrained affair. Some of you may remember in Arnold Bennett's *Old Wives Tale* the mid-Victorian draper, who, greatly daring, placed a big name board over his shop. Advertisements were once mainly announcements of theatre performances, of legal notices, auctions, shipping movements and the statements of banks. There was very little suggestion of "pushing goods," of shouting merits, real and imaginary, or of enjoining people into buying. The Englishman's motto was, as we know to our cost "Good wine needs no bush."

Various articles sold in chemists' shops started the new advertising. There is no need to do more than mention what advertising has done, despite the British Medical Association, for certain pills and powders and ointments. Pear's soap, Bovril, Mellin's food. (Continued on Page 18.)

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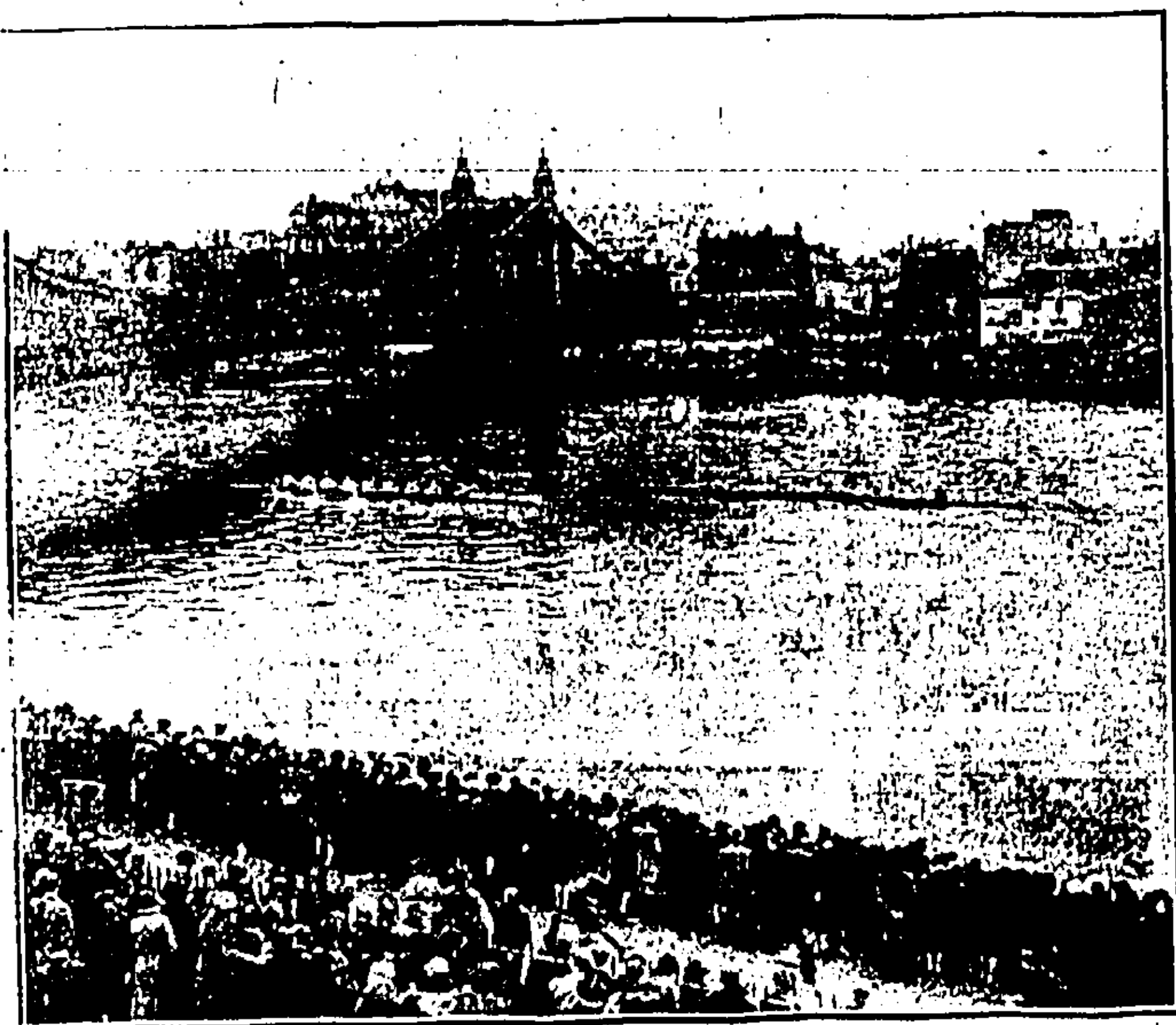
The anchorite's cell which has been uncovered during restoration at East Ham Church, one of the few parish churches in the London area which preserve Norman work of the twelfth century. (Times copyright.)



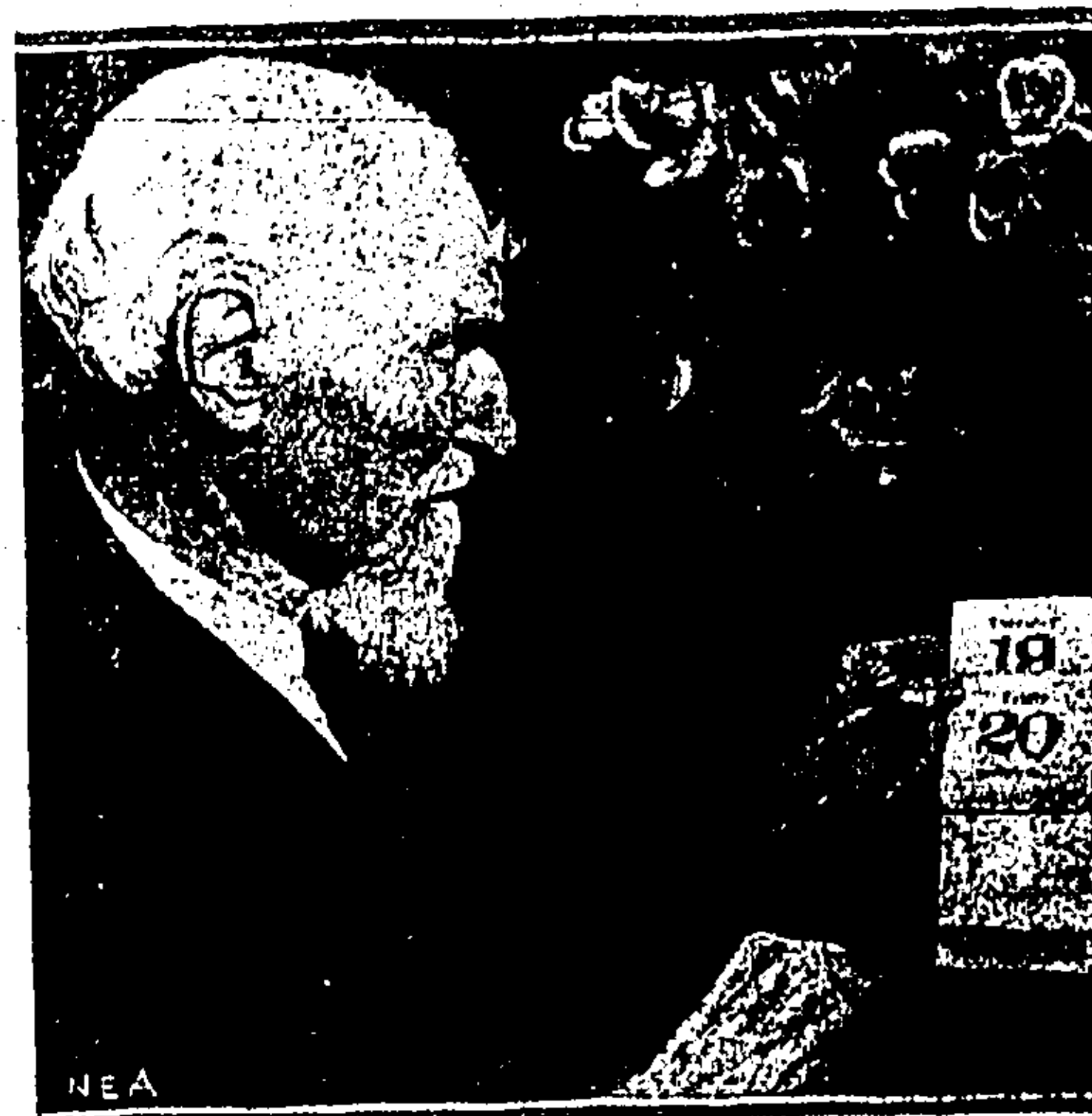
Lady Willingdon receiving the gift from the women of Canada which was presented to her by Mrs G. H. Ferguson, wife of the Canadian High Commissioner in London. Left to right:—Mr. G. H. Ferguson, Lady Willingdon, Mrs Ferguson, and Lord Willingdon. (Times copyright.)



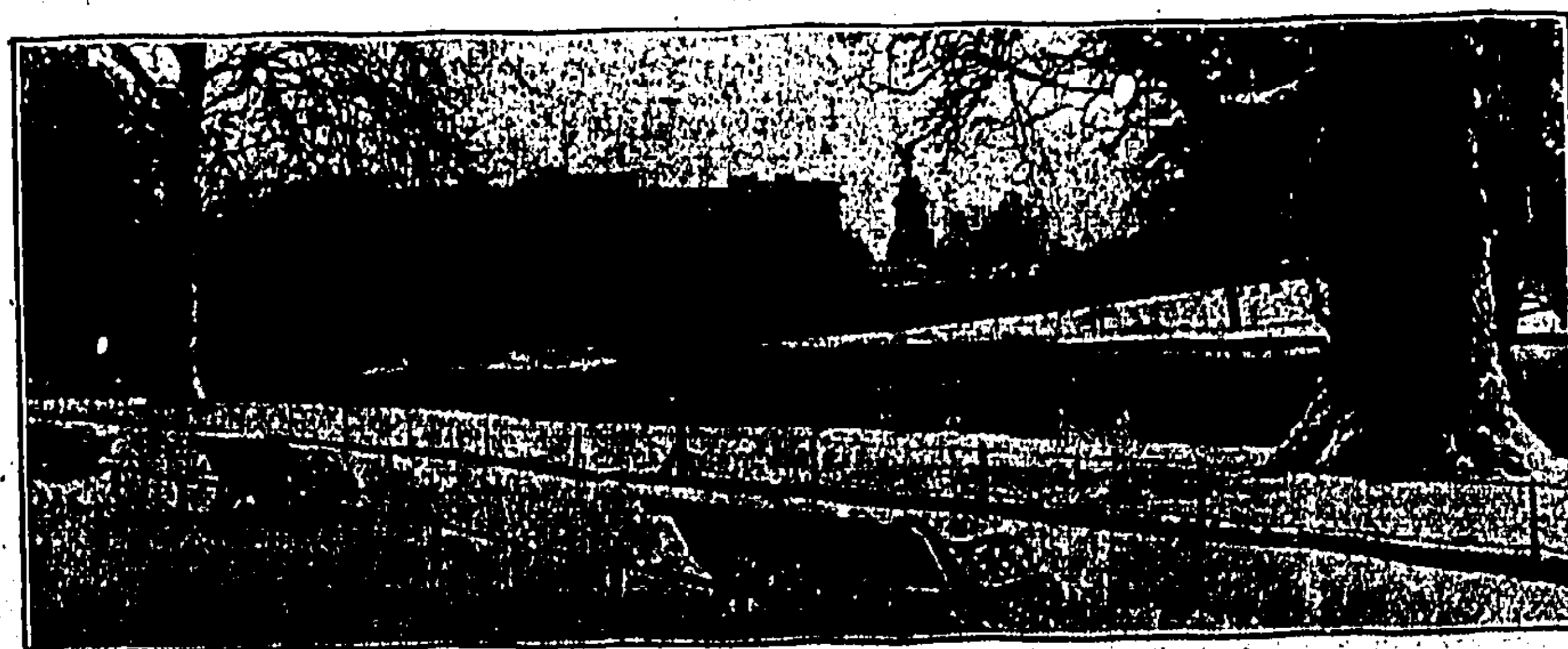
The Silver Eagle, which has been presented to the officers' mess of H. M. Aircraft-carrier Eagle by the Hispano-British Committee of Madrid, as a testimony of gratitude for the rescue in the Atlantic of the seaplane with Major Franco and his crew on board, in June, 1929. (Times picture.)



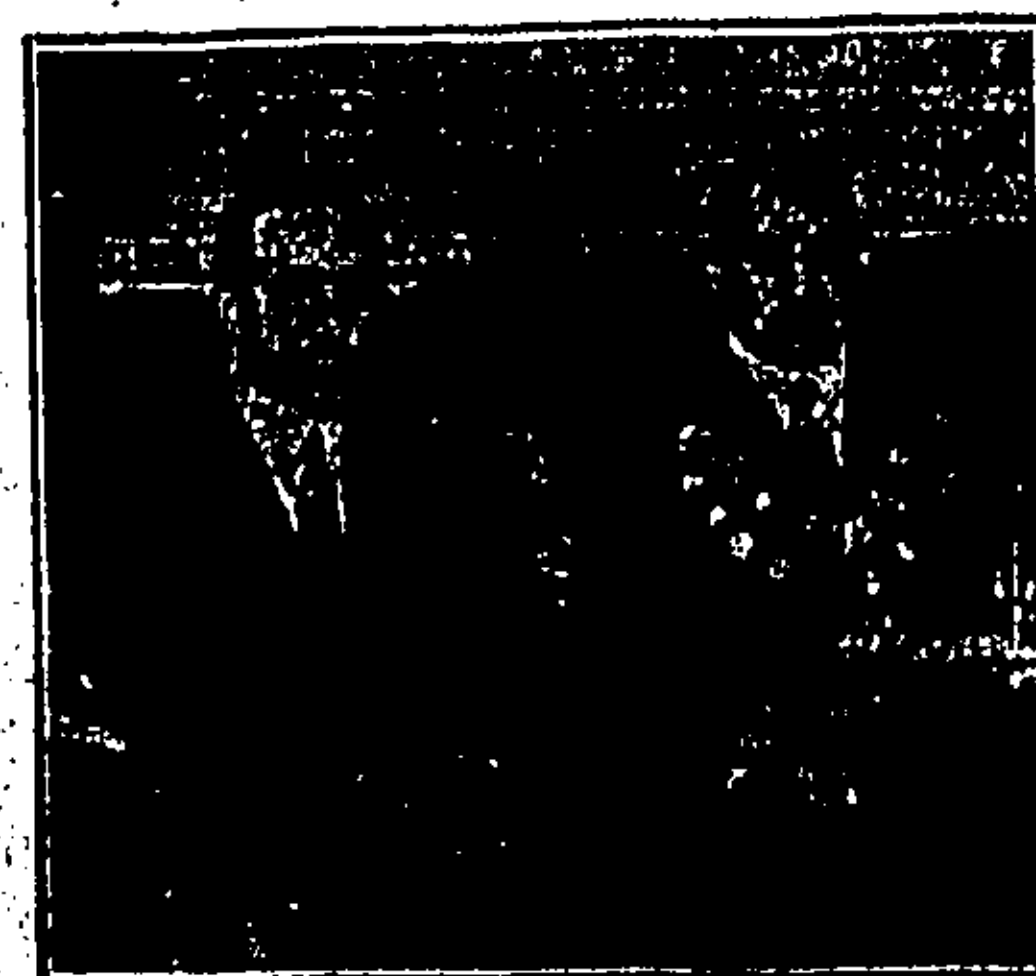
The Cambridge boat drawing ahead at Hammersmith Bridge in the Boat Race. Cambridge gained their eighth successive victory by 2 1/2 lengths. Our picture shows the big crowd at this point. (Times copyright.)



Capt. Robert Dollar, dean of American shipping and head of the Dollar Lines, is shown above as he greeted his 87th birthday. Regular habits and hard work are his recipes for happiness and longevity.



(Snow fell in many parts of London in late March and our picture illustrates a view of Buckingham Palace, looking across the lake in St. James's Park, after the snowfall. (Times copyright.)



Our picture shows the King of Spain when he recently visited the Spanish Club, Cavendish-Square, London. He is seen with the Mayor of Marylebone. (Times copyright.)

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$20.40 n.
Chartered Bank, \$15 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$24 n.
East Asiatic, \$120 b.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1400 n.
Union Ins., \$22 1/2 b.
China Underwriters, \$5.20 n.
China Fire, \$525 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1300 n.

Shipping.
Douglas, \$20 1/2 b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$26 1/2 n.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$30 n.
Union Waterboats, \$35 1/2 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$9 1/2 b.
Shal Explorations, \$15 1/2 n.
Raub, \$38 1/2 n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, 165 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$28 1/2 b.
South China Motors \$10 n.
China Provident, \$5.65 b.
Hongkew, \$1.300 b.
New Engineers, \$1.610 n.
Shanghai Docks, \$1.108 1/2 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cotton, \$14 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton, \$100 b.
Zong Sing, \$11 1/2 n.

Land, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$14.40 b.
H. K. Land, \$7 1/2 b.
Shai Land, \$17.15 n.
Humphreys, \$11.35 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18.15 b.
Peak Tram, (old) \$14 1/4 n.
Star Ferries, \$94 n.
China Lights, \$25.80 b.
H. K. Electric, \$79 1/2 b.
Telephones, \$51 n.
China Buses, \$18.20 n.
Singapore Traction, 6/6 n.

Industrials.
China Sugars, 80 cts. n.
Malabon, \$39 n.
Canton Ice, \$3.60 b.
Cement (Comb.), \$18.40 b.
Ropes, \$17 n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$26 1/2 n.
Watson, \$12.90 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$5.80 b.
Mackintosh, \$20 n.
Sinceres, \$14 1/4 n.
Powells, \$2.85 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$27 n.
Constructions, \$6.65 b.
Bique Ind. G. Bonds, \$69 1/2 b.

EX-CHORUS GIRL STRANGLED.

A WANTED MAN.

A warning that a man with a cast in one eye and with a passport for the Argentine in his possession might attempt to leave the country was sent out by the Lancashire police recently after a verdict of Murder against some person or persons unknown had been returned at the inquest on Gertrude Collier, aged 29, a former chorus girl, who was found strangled in bed at Old Trafford. The following statement was issued by the police:—

Wanted, William Henderson, alias Anderson, a native of Leeds, aged about 30, 5ft. 7in. or 8in. in height, slimly built, fresh complexion, very fair hair, clean-shaven, full face, with a slight cast in one eye. Dressed in a blue serge suit, soft felt hat, collar and shoes. He speaks with a Yorkshire accent, and his wife and six-years-old son, from whom he is separated, live in Leeds. He is said to have returned from the Argentine in August 1929, and may be in possession of a passport. He may try to get abroad, either as passenger or by securing employment in a ship.



No matter how well-behaved an artist is, he almost always makes a scene.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Manila	Ondokerk	April 22
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	April 22
Manila	Emps. of Canada	April 22
Amoy and Swatow	Van Heutsz	April 22
Java and Manila	Tjibadaka	April 22
Shanghai and Amoy	Hupei	April 23
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers London 20th Mar. and parcels 19th Mar.)	Comorin	April 23
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 4th April)	Rajputana	April 24
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 2. Apr.)	Chichibu Maru	April 24
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 4th Apr.)	Pres. Lincoln	April 24
Japan	Kan Maru	April 25
Cebu and Manila	Sulung	April 25
Straits	Alipore	April 26
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjibadaka	April 26
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. 12th Apr.)	Emps. of Russia	April 30
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 3rd Apr.)	Pres. Harrison	May 2
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 10th Apr.)	Pres. Cleveland	May 4
Australia and Manila	Tanda	May 6

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Wed., Apr. 22, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs., Apr. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Apr. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Wed., Apr. 23, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Sirdhana	Thurs., Apr. 23, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Comorin	Fri., Apr. 24, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru	Fri., Apr. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong, Peking and Haiphong	Klungchow	Fri., Apr. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Apr. 24, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Sui Sang	Fri., Apr. 24, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rajputana	Sat., Apr. 25, K.P.O.
	Parcels	Apr. 24, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Apr. 25, 9 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 25, 10 a.m. G.P.O.
	Parcels	Apr. 24, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Apr. 25, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 25, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 22nd May.)

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B. C. and Europe via Siberia

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island

Amoy, Foochow via Swatow

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa

Bangkok via Swatow

Amoy via Swatow

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco

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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

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POLICE EJECT SOLICITOR.

CORONER'S COURT SCENE.

There was a remarkable scene at an inquest at Wembley, Middlesex, on Richard Dugay, aged 35, an engineer's fitter, of Deacon road, Willesden, N. W., who was killed when a motor-car in which he was riding crashed into a fence and overturned.

Edward Charles Chapman, another passenger in the car, said they were going at between 15 and 20 miles an hour at the time.

Mr. E. H. Hiscocks, a solicitor, who appeared for the relatives of the dead man, asked if the driver had had anything to drink at the Great Central Sports Pavilion, and Chapman replied that he had had a glass of beer.

Mr. Hiscocks prefaced his next question by saying, "If the driver was drunk, when the coroner, Dr. Cohen, interrupted by saying, "It was a most improper question."

"Have you any witnesses to call to prove that statement?" he asked. Mr. Hiscocks: No.

Dr. Cohen: Then you must sit down, and I shall not allow you to ask any more questions.

Mr. Hiscocks refused to sit down, and asked what right the coroner had to prevent his asking questions.

Dr. Cohen said that Mr. Hiscocks would have to leave the court if he did not sit down.

Mr. Hiscocks: You have no right at all to remove me from the court.

Dr. Cohen: You will have to go. Pushed Out.

Mr. Hiscocks: I came here to represent the family, and have not asked an improper question.

Dr. Cohen: You must be removed if you do not sit down.

Mr. Hiscocks was persistent in his demand to know what power the coroner had to do such a thing. "You cannot remove an attorney from the court," he said.

The coroner's officer approached Mr. Hiscocks and tried to persuade him to go.

Mr. Hiscocks resisted, and two other officers put their arms at his back and pushed him towards the door. He was handed his papers and pushed, protesting, from the court.

Dr. Cohen said that in fairness to the family he should adjourn the inquest to give them an opportunity of having a representative who would not ask any questions without proof. He could not allow a solicitor to suggest that a man was drunk without any evidence to support it.

Mr. Hiscocks afterwards said to a reporter: "The question I was going to ask was: 'If the driver was drunk you would have noticed his condition?' but I had only got halfway through the sentence when Dr. Cohen told me to sit down. I shall again appear for my clients when the inquest is resumed."

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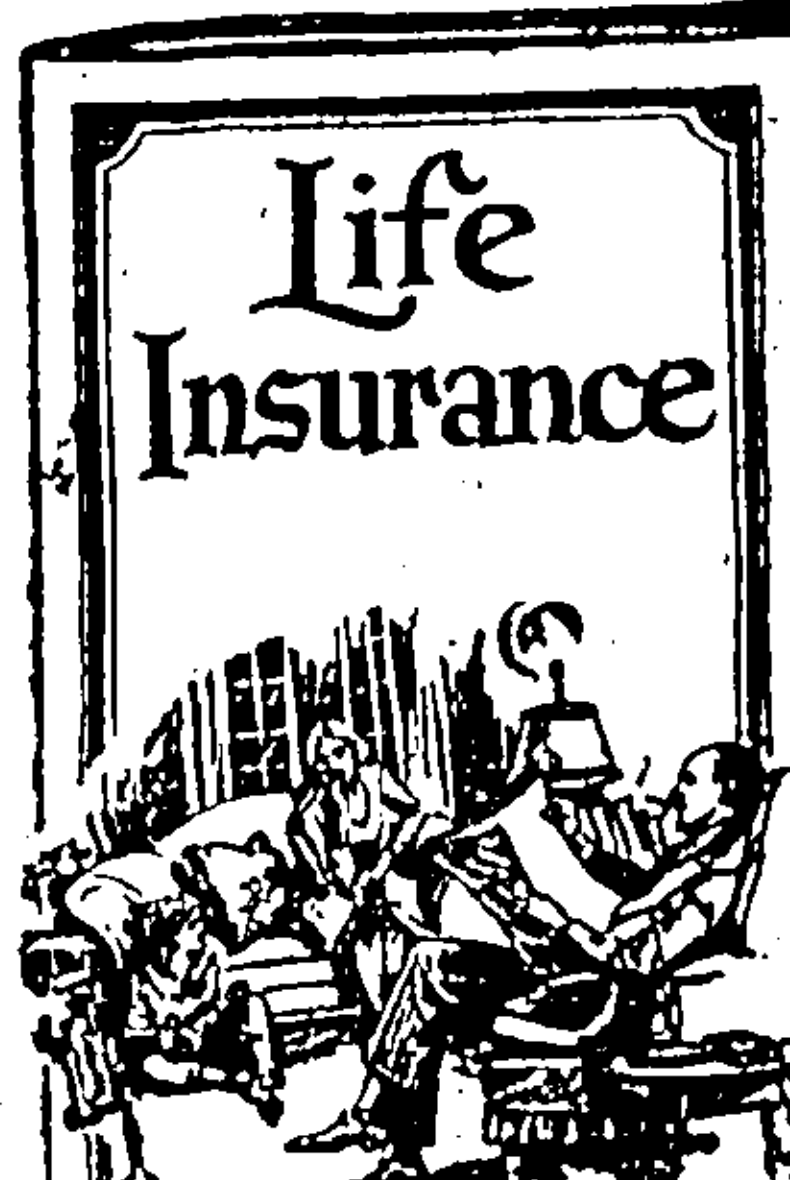
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To-day's radio programme to be broadcast, by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:
Recital from the Studio by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.
5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6.00-6.30 p.m. Chinese Children's Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7.00-7.30 p.m. Light Opera.
Tom Jones-Selections (German).
Reg. Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards, 9297.

Merrie England-Vocal Gems (Hood and German).
Miriam Licette, Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Denis Noble, Robert Carr and Chorus, 9803.
A Country Girl-Vocal Gems (Rubens, Ross and Monks).

Columbia Light Opera Co., DX73.
7.30-8.35 p.m. From The Studio.
Recital by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.
Pianist and Accompanist Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith-Soprano Mrs. Bowes-Smith.

Pianoforte Solo-Sonata in C Major Op. 53 (First Movement) (Beethoven).
Song-Sing, Break Into Song (Mallinson).
Song-The Laurel Of Isis (Granville Bantock).
Song-To A Thrush At Evening (Montague Phillips).
Song-A Song Of The Open (La Forge).

Pianoforte Solo-Prelude (Debussy).
Pianoforte Solo-Romance (Sgambatti).
Pianoforte Solo-Song (York Bowen).

Song-a. Prelude in D Major In The Forest (Sprague). Love, I Have Won You (Singer) from "A Cycle of Life" (Landon Ronald).
Song-At The Well (Haugenman).
Pianoforte Solo-Study in A Flat (Chopin).

Pianoforte Solo-Nocturne in D Flat Minor (Chopin).
Pianoforte Solo-Scherzo in B Flat Minor (Chopin).

At 8.00 p.m. this concert will be interrupted for the Time Signal and Weather Report, etc.
8.05-9.10 p.m. Octets and Organ Solo.

Octet-Gossamer Wings (Gerard).
Octet-Land Of Dreams (Gerard).
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet, 5254.
Organ Solo-Rhapsody in Blue (Gershwin).

Quentin M. Maclean, DX116.
Octet-Putting The Clock Back (Arr. Squire).
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet, DX68.

Organ Solo-Medley Of Song Hits of 1930.
Quentin M. Maclean, DX43.
9.10-9.54 p.m. Concert Items.

Song-The Powder Monkey (Watson).
Song-The Midshipmite (Weatherly and Adams).
Norman Allan (Bass), DX106.

Violin Solo-Tijana (Brazilian Dance).
Violin Solo-Bourree in B Minor (Bach).
Joseph Sziget, D1633.

Chorus-Herman Lohr-Vocal Gems.
Columbia Light Opera Co., DX52.
Cello Solo-Mennett (Haydn).
Cello Solo-Chanson Villageoise (Popper).

Gaspard Cassado, D1613.
Song-Pecche (De Flaxley-Bennett).
Enzo De Muro Lomanto, D12618.

Song-Don Pasquale (Donizetti).
Enzo De Muro Lomanto, D12618.
Violin Solo-The Phantom Melody (Ketelbey).

Albert Sandler, 9803.
9.51-10.30 p.m. Recitals.
The Bronze Horse (Auber).
The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra, DX69.

Fid-Rio (Beethoven).
Musique De La Garde Republique, 9208.
Crown Diamonds (Auber).
The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra, DX77.

Raymond (Thomas).
Percy Pitt and The Symphony Orchestra, DX104.
10.30 p.m. Close Down.

LOCAL CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

The following have been selected to represent the University 1st XI in a League Match against R. on Sat. at 2 p.m. sharp on the Home Ground:
D. N. Anderson (Capt.), A. Baker, L. T. Ride, D. K. Samy, F. A. Redmond, A. B. Sullivan, A. M. Rodriguez, A. T. Nomenbhoy, A. Chan Fook, K. P. Gan, F. R. Zimmerman.

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

MAKING UP THE EYES.

[By Alicia Hart.]

There are tricks to every trade, and making up the eyes is no exception.

A touch of rouge to the lids, a very gentle touch, may give a healthy glow and make the eyes look bigger. But this must be done skilfully or you will give the impression of inflamed eyes.

As a last finishing touch, a touch of rouge at the very inner corner of the top eye lid often gives the eyes themselves a brilliance otherwise missed.

Jade eye shade may do wonders for the very fair, fragile blonde. And if you happen to be a red-head, a natural Titian red-head, you may find that you can stand a blue eye shadow twice as thick and twice as effectively as your paler sister who has merely blond hair.

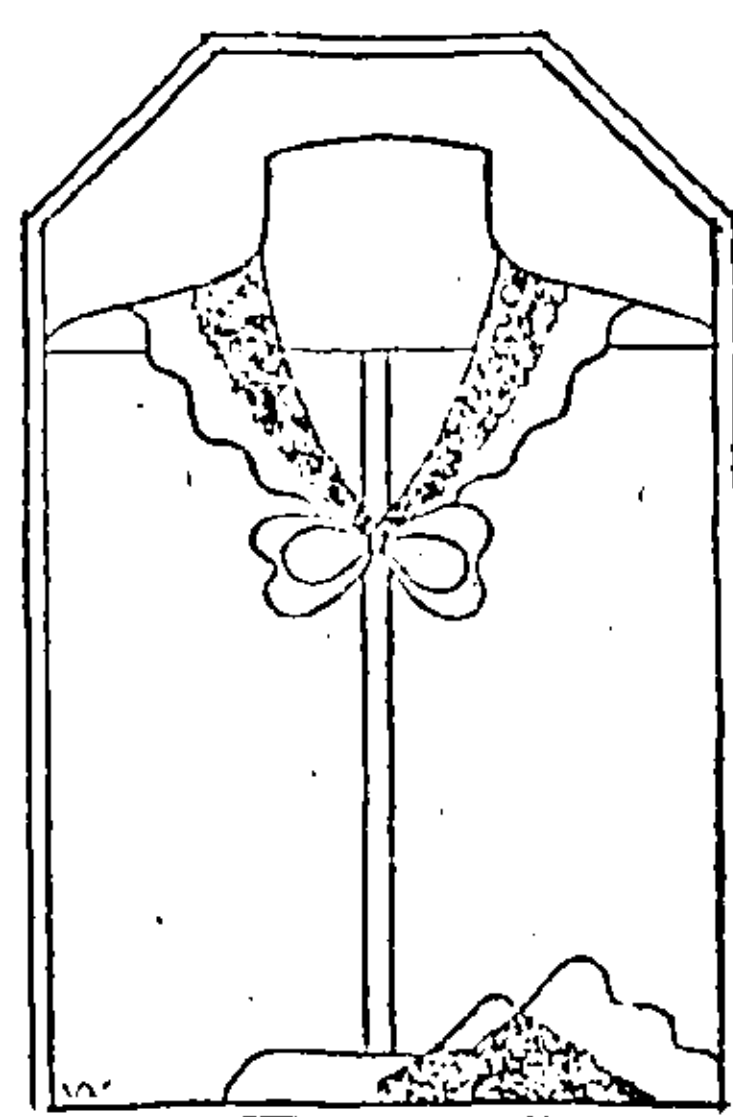
Artist of the stage often do wonders in elongating the appearance of the eye by acutely colouring, in little V-shaped dabs, the lids at the corners of the eye, both by the nose and on the outside of the eye.

All of these tricks are variables. You may find them workable for you and not at all practical for the friend who goes about with you.

Remember that the more obvious your own colouring, the bigger your own eyes and the more beautiful, the more of a task you have making them up, for it must be done so subtly. Obvious make-up is out this winter. Obvious eye make-up is in twice as bad taste as obvious lipstick and rouge.

If you want to place a bit of brown or black mascara at the outer edge of your eyes, to elongate them, do it very carefully with a small brush. If you want to use the eyebrow tone to these important spots, your regular eyebrow pencil may serve you. You must have something smaller at the point than a more finger to draw those little arrows right. Even when you use your eye shadowing in heavy quantity to give you this colour.

Irish Lace.



Irish lace again comes into fashion in this season of lace. In this illustration of a collar and cuff set it is combined with white handkerchief linen.

In Black Satin.



What to wear to lunch is the question before the house to-day. Perhaps you need a new dress. What type should it be, and what material? The most elegant thing you can have, the costume that you can wear again and again with ease and confidence, is the black costume. If you get it in satin, it will give you a charm, a dressiness that other materials often fail to do. There is something about satin—deny it if you can.

The all-black satin dress, with a black satin hat to match, is spring's contribution. If you take it now while spring still is some ways off, you are ahead of the game.

Think how comfortable you will feel, sitting across the restaurant table from your admirer, if you have on the black satin costume pictured.

The dress is one of those intricately cut ones that it is difficult to describe. The skirt is a wrap-around, with a black satin slip beneath. It ties tightly in two bows right in front and the bodice blouses slightly all around over the belt line which is pulled snugly by the top bow.

The bodice is raglan sleeved, with the elbow and fastened with three buttons and loops. The buttons are of the frock's satin. The neckline, which is a graceful rounded one, has its own little collar, finished with a rolled edge of the material.

The hat is just too cute, made of the same satin, with the inimitable fluttering tricorn shape. It has a tricky little black and white feather ornament on the right side. Worn with a few simple ornaments, this is perfect for the important lunch date.

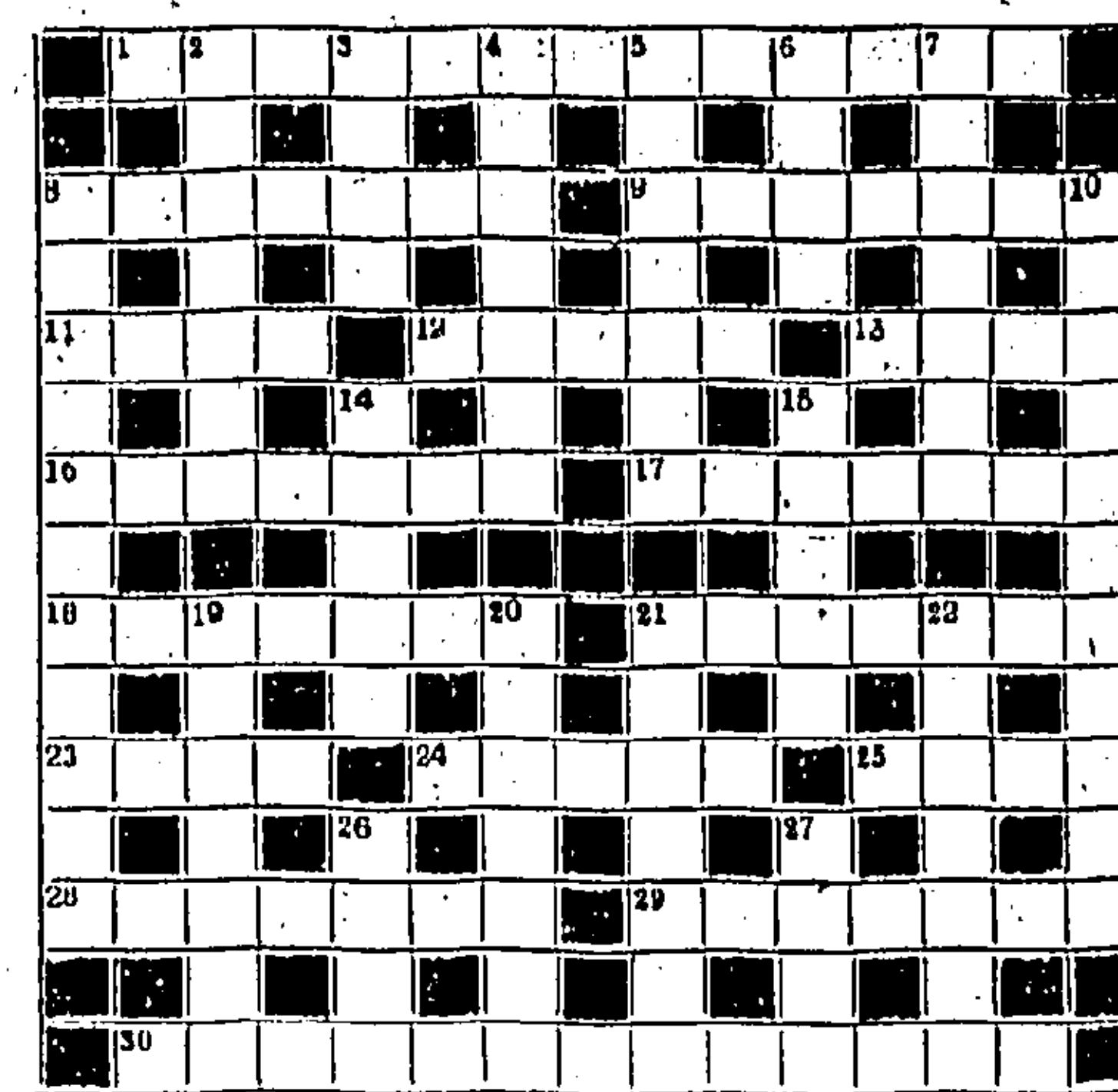
APPLE CUSTARD PUDDING.

Stew some good large cooking apples (pared, cored and minced) in a little water; when done, rub through a coarse sieve and sweeten. Make a good custard of milk, eggs and powdered sugar, with a little lemon flavouring. Pour the apples into a pudding-dish and the custard mixture on top of the apples, and put in a slow oven to bake about half an hour until done.

A VANITY SET.

A set which consists of powder box, lipstick case, cigarette case, and match box, would look very well inside one of the new "Air Force" hand bags. The set is made in shagreen with the red and gold wings and crown on the top or at one side of each article. A green glass powder bowl for the dressing table is also decorated with the wings, cut in the top of the lid.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 I only imagined this, I suppose.
- 8 Frederick the Great, with considerable trouble, added this to the German Empire—and kept it.
- 9 A fabulous bird is borne on this wind, and—
- 11 This one has a circular motion.
- 12 Although 9 is very hot, it would be an exaggeration to call it this.
- 13 In this to be on the safe side.
- 16 Delilah proved to be Samson's.
- 17 Certainly a Dutchman.
- 18 Describes the labours of Hercules.
- 21 Wine, cake, or island.
- 23 Issue is short here.
- 24 What Gulliver felt himself to be among the Brobdingnagians.
- 25 The next one seems to be the same shape always as the one before (hidden).
- 28 Don't expect him to be generous.
- 29 Bordered on—but I don't know what.
- 30 What I intend these clues to be.

Down

- 2 Referred.
- 3 Cut this girl and she will be capable of killing you.
- 4 Five score talking irrationally are only beseeching.
- 5 This quick remedy is made attractive by a drop of spirit.
- 6 Art is required to turn out this comestible.

To absorb, as a gas, by a metal.

- 7 To absorb, as a gas, by a metal.
- 8 Flatter.
- 10 Cheated.
- 14 I am engaged in a complicated scheme.
- 15 A positive Pole—no use arguing.
- 19 May be mud or flour.
- 20 A revolver—of sorts.
- 21 East African port.
- 22 The force that makes things "stay put."
- 26 This age is worthless.
- 27 Could this be completed it would sound like music in your ears.

Yesterday's Solution

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OTHELLO
COMEDY OF ERRORS
MERCHANT OF VENICE
CORIOLANUS
MIDSUMMER NIGHTS DREAM
MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR
MEASURE FOR MEASURE
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING
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ALLS WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Look over the list of Shakespearean plays as printed above, and see if you can find the name of a very famous British playwright. This is a bit tricky, but it is spelled out in correct order.

10 DROWNED IN SHIP CAPSIZE.

SURVIVORS' NIGHT ON A CLIFF.

Ten men were drowned and two escaped a similar fate by swimming ashore and spending the night on the rocks when the Glasgow steamer Citrine (592 tons) sank off Brudlia Head, a cliff near Port Erin.

The Citrine was on her way from Belfast to Trevor, North Wales, and carried a crew of 11 and one passenger, the son of the ship's cook, aged 17.

The vessel struck the rocks and the captain backed her off. She immediately began to fill, and the crew tried to launch the boats, but the Citrine turned turtle and sank.

Sea Lapping Their Feet.
Two of the men, Hugh Morrison, of Ayre, and the passenger, Lenford Warren, of North Portland, Glasgow, swam to the foot of the cliffs, where they stood on a rock all night in the freezing cold with the sea lapping their feet.

Minute after minute, hour after hour they watched, and it was not until the dawn revealed neither ship nor other survivors that the two

bent their frozen limbs to the task of climbing the 600 feet cliff. Morrison, said afterwards:—
"There was no chance to get a boat out, and when I found myself in the water I struck out for where I imagined the land lay. Then I found young Warren swimming near me, and we shouted to each other words of encouragement until we found ourselves near the rock where we landed."

"It was a terrible swim, and we were fumbled with cold. We could hear the cries of other men in the water as we lay on the rock, but it was pitch dark and we could not do anything. We expected some of the others to join us. It is terrible to think that only we two got away."

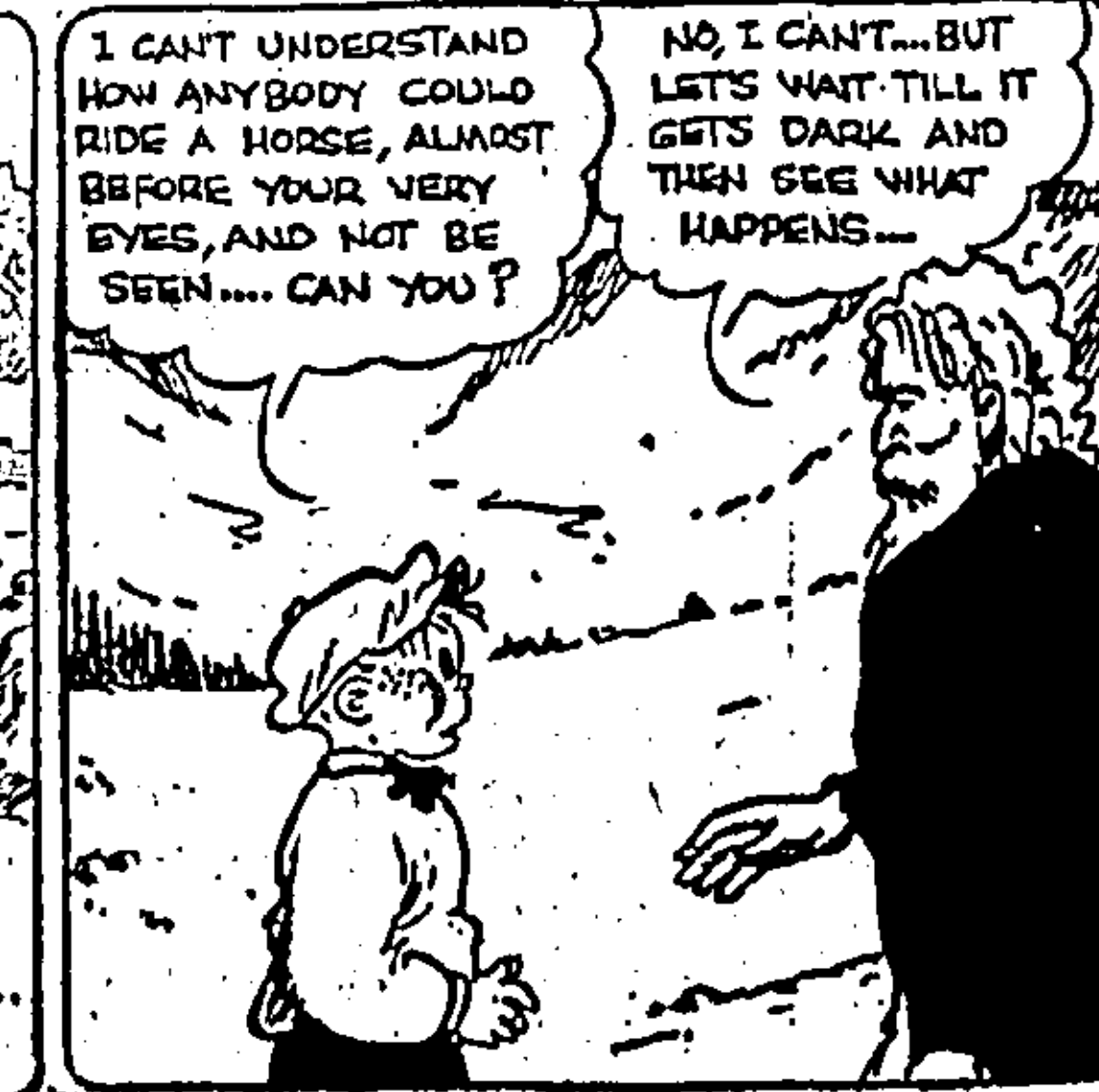
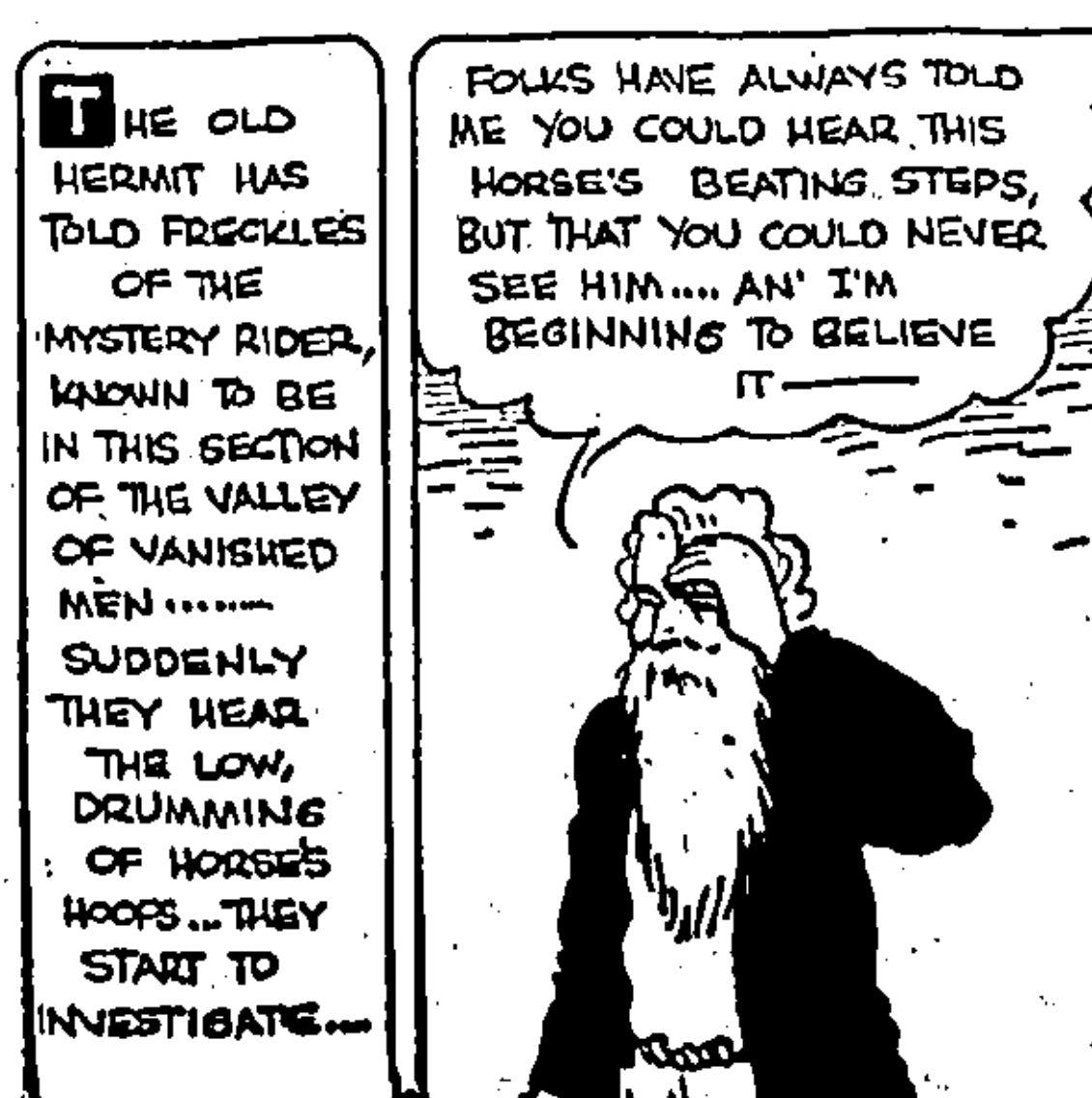
Warren said it was his first trip to sea and he went with his father to learn the business of cook. It was about nine o'clock at night when the ship struck the rocks. He put on a lifebelt and was washed off and swam ashore.

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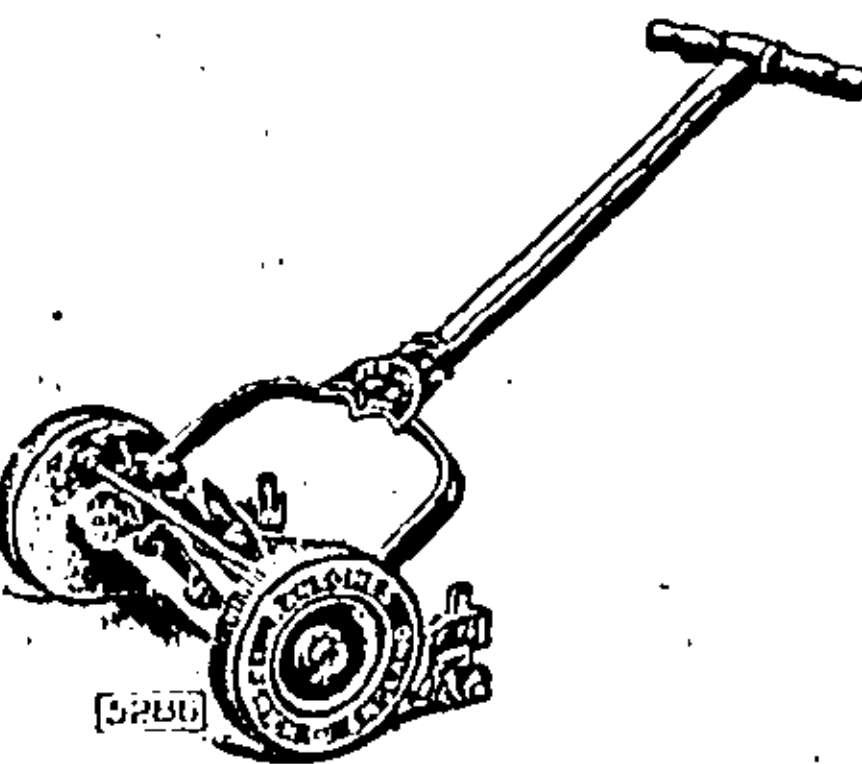
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MALAYA & HONGKONG.

Hongkong, which is still suffering from the combined effects of a dollar based on silver and the continued trade depression, cannot but feel a measure of sympathy for Malaya, where the position is even worse than it is here. We all know what the slump in rubber and tin has meant for our Southern neighbours, not only in loss of revenue, but also in creating an unemployment problem of which there is, happily, no counterpart in Hongkong. A situation of extreme gravity has, in fact, arisen in Malaya, and we have it on the word of the Financial Adviser that the Colony is not faced merely by a financial emergency, or some liability of a definite amount which can be met by surplus funds, but by a general condition of growing impoverishment. Thus the community is told that the scope of public and private expenditure must be reduced to fall into harmony with the realities of the existing economic conditions.

It will help to an understanding of the position in Malaya if we call a few points from the speech just delivered to the Federal Council by the Financial Adviser. These show that the country is faced with a deficit of twelve million dollars on the estimated revenue for 1931 and a drop of seven millions in the estimated railway receipts. The situation, it is explained, is not due to any heavy and unforeseen expenditure or extravagance on the part of the Government, but is caused by the widespread trade and industrial depression. In the circumstances, it is realised that the measures to be taken to meet the position must be primarily by reduction of expenditure. Accordingly, the Government has decided, subject to the concurrence of the Secretary of State, to reduce all temporary allowances on salaries by fifty per cent., whilst reductions are also to be made in acting allowances, travelling and transport allowances and payments for extra work. It has also been proposed that there shall be an abeyance of the present liberal leave allowances, but the concurrence of the Colony is needed for this. Furthermore, it is recognised that in a time like the present the Colony must be prepared to sacrifice to some extent its high standards of maintenance and efficiency, and it is therefore pro-

posed that there shall be a ten per cent. cut in the Public Works Department annually on recurrent expenditure. Other means of relieving the burden are under consideration, it being proposed that work on certain special services be retarded and other works of a capital and remunerative nature may be transferred to loan account.

Despite all this, however, revenue has to be expanded, and some increases in taxation are contemplated. Further drastic reductions in expenditure are fore-shadowed and for this purpose a committee has been appointed to deal with this aspect of the question, whilst another committee is to be appointed to enquire into the clerical staff, particularly in the matter of reductions in the number of staff and the cost of annually recurrent services. It will thus be seen that Malaya considers the situation can only be met by rigid economy in the Government, even to the extent of staff reductions and the general cost of administration. These are also the lines on which our own position in Hongkong must be met, if necessary. Our chief problem, of course, is caused by the decline in the sterling value of the dollar—a catastrophe which Malaya, with its fixed currency, has not to face. A stabilised dollar for Hongkong, at a reasonable figure, would automatically remove the greater part of this Colony's present problem. Until that is assured, however, strict economy must be our watch-word.

The Train Disaster.

The elements seemed to conspire to render more serious the consequences of the disastrous derailment on the Kowloon-Canton Railway. At least two of the victims might have been saved but for the further washout on the line which prevented the employment of lifting gear, while landslides, blocking the Tai Po Road at many points, enormously hampered the succouring of the seriously injured. In the circumstances, the gallant band of rescue workers led by medical men and officials of the Railway, accomplished conspicuously fine work, and no tributes can be too high. There will, of course, be a public inquiry into the accident, the first major catastrophe on the line since the railway was opened some twenty years ago. The main questions to be determined will concern the adequacy of the inspection system. Such facts as have been brought to light allow of few criticisms. A train had passed the full length of the line only two hours before without mishap. The driver of the wrecked engine states clearly enough that the damage to the foundations of the embankment, caused by the torrential rains and the consequent heavy swelling of the volume of the nearby waterfall, could not be observed from the track. There was no suspicion of danger until the ground began to give way beneath the train bringing about the tragic plunge. Another point of investigation consists in the amazing telescoping of the third carriage. A wooden coach between four steel coaches, it suffered the full effect of the sudden stoppage ahead and the forward impetus of the coaches behind. Such was inevitable. Here it was that the majority of the casualties occurred. Wide avenues of enquiry are opened up, first, as to the use of wooden coaches, second as to the making up of composite trains, and thirdly, if composite trains are necessary, as to the position of such wooden coaches as are employed. Meanwhile, public sympathy will go out to those injured in Tuesday's mishap and to the relatives of those who lost their lives.

The police are looking for a man, named Au Yeung-tai, in consequence of a report from the East Asia Boarding House yesterday to the effect that he has stolen a leather trunk, valued at \$100 from one lodger, and a sum of \$200 from another. This latter said he gave the money to Au Yeung-tai to purchase three fares for Tientsin.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Lechar Wilhelm Hans Hammann, No. 78, Johnston Road, to Chiu Yuet-ming, otherwise Yuet Ming Hammann, of the same address.

DAY BY DAY

AN ANGRY MAN IS AGAIN ANGRY WITH HIMSELF WHEN HE RETURNS TO REASON.—Publius Syrus.

The P. and O. s.s. Rajputana, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 a.m. on Friday.

The Ben Linc s.s. Bennevis, from Hong Kong via Straits and Manila, is due here to-morrow morning.

An excellent series of photographs of the railway disaster is on sale at A. Fong, corner of D'Arquill and Stanley Streets.

Through falling down the staircase of his home at 17, Main Street, Shamshui, Yau Wai-lin, aged 7, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday with injuries to his head.

Chan Kam-chuen, the one-year-old son of a couple living at 7, Wo Hoi Street, died at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday after being severely scalded by boiling water last week.

Petty Officer Grant, of U.S.S. Whipple, was admitted into hospital yesterday after being "beaten up" as he says, by other American blue-jackets in Johnston Road, Wanchai. P. O. Grant's injuries are not of a serious nature.

Abject poverty is said to have caused a Chinese couple, living at No. 3, Fook Wa Lane, to desert the body of their infant child after it had died from natural causes, yesterday, while they shifted out, unknown to neighbours, to whereabouts at present unknown. The principal tenant of the floor told police that the couple owed her three months' rent arrears.

Sir Joseph Kemp, Chief Justice of Hongkong, is returning from Home leave by the s.s. Comorin to-morrow. On Saturday, the present Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, is sailing on Home leave on board the s.s. Rajputana, and Mr. C. D. Melbourne, who retired from the position of Registrar at the Supreme Court some months ago, will be sailing on the same ship.

MACAO WEEK BY WEEK.

MADEIRA REVOLT MUCH DISCUSSED.

Macao, Apr. 20.
The political situation in Madeira has provided subject for whole crops of rumours. When the news first reached Macao regarding the revolt fomented by political exiles from Portugal at Madeira, it was also bruited about that there was considerable disaffection in Portugal as well, but reassurances on the part of the Government soon restored the equanimity of the public. To the average person such a revolt as that which has occurred at Madeira would seem a serious matter, but the student of affairs in Portugal is satisfied that the present Government, having announced that constitutional government will soon be restored in the country is proceeding slowly to endeavour to develop the resources of Portugal and the Portuguese colonies, and attempts by political factions to overthrow the present regime will probably delay the restoration of the constitutional form of government in Portugal. Most observers are hopeful that it will not be long before parliamentary government will replace the present dictatorship, and that the discipline imposed on politicians at the present time will have a salutary effect and prepare them for the time when the Parliament comes to function again in Portugal.

All Macao turned out to attend the inauguration of the Capitol Theatre, on the occasion of the formal opening of the new cinema house on Saturday, Apr. 18. The audience seemed well pleased with the excellent sound reproduction and projection, and though some critics have not liked the scheme of decoration, the majority of those who attended the opening performances are well pleased with the excellent accommodation and acoustics, as a distinct improvement on that which has been provided at Macao up to the present.

A serious motor accident, in which a woman and child were killed, has aroused considerable comment. A peculiar circumstance connected with the accident was that the victim fell on the shock absorber of the car and was thus carried along, until, when turning a corner, the woman, with the child strapped to her back, was thrown into the road. The driver, a sailor, has been arrested, and will be tried.

The thunderstorm, accompanied by a gale of considerable velocity, which visited Macao on Sunday night, did much damage to property. Fifteen fishing boats were broken in pieces, and nine persons are known to have been drowned. But for the help rendered by the Macao water police, and sailors from the Portuguese cruiser Admiral, the Portuguese gunboat Patria, and the French gunboat Argus the loss of life would have been much greater.

London is So Sophisticated.

Says E. A. BAUGHAN.

Discussing the Making of a Revue.

TO the playgoer in search of amusement, a revue seems merely a fortuitous collection of sketches, ballets, dances and low-comedy turns.

Yet the making of a revue is a very subtle affair. It is not a fortuitous collection of turns. "Cochran's 1931 Revue" is a case in point. There are, as a matter of fact, a number of attractive turns in this revue. Viewed as variety comedians of a rather old-fashioned type, Clark and McCullough are quite amusing. When they were here in "Chuckles" they kept audiences roaring with laughter.

Has the psychology of audiences changed in a brief eight years? I doubt it, and Cochran doubted it.

But, as he has admitted in interviews, their engagement was an experiment as far as his own revue is concerned. For the entertainments at the London Pavilion and the New Oxford have always been on the side of sophistication. "This Year of Grace" is an example. That was largely the work of one man, Noel Coward, as far as any revue can be the work of one man.

I gather the present revue was more or less successful in Manchester, but audiences there, as far as I have observed them, are very different from audiences at Piccadilly Circus.

There is a heartiness and simplicity in the North which you seldom find in a West End theatre in London.

The most blasé Londoner is, however, ready enough to be amused by wisecracks and knockabout fun.

Charlie Chaplin has linked together all classes in admiration of his comic genius. Yet, to be frank, his pantomimic "gags" have been used over and over again by himself and others. He really makes a revue of himself and spurs no pains to obtain just the right effect. Miles of films are exposed and barely a fifth part of the celluloid record of his fun-making is ultimately used. Selection, again selection, and always selection is the secret of his success.

And that is also the secret of the making of a revue, although the field of selection cannot be as rent in a stage entertainment I have always held, and shall continue to hold, the opinion that a revue should have a central idea. That was to some extent the success of "This Year of Grace."

The Thread of Life.

"In 'This Year of Grace' and 'On With the Dance' the idea was not more subtle than a general satire of modern society, but then it was as a connecting link between the different turns. There is no such idea in 'Cochran's 1931 Revue.' But if Clark and McCullough had been two comedians who had viewed New York, Paris and London through the eyes of low-comedy Americans and had ultimately come to rest in a glorified main street town created by their excited imaginations, there would have been the necessary connecting link.

Moreover, Ada-May, fascinating little artist as she is, cannot carry a revue on her shoulders. She requires special material, such as her beautiful dance with a large air-ball in the revue of last year.

But even when good turns have been invented and the whole strung together with a connecting idea, there still remains the chief difficulty in the making of a revue.

The turns may be very good of their kind, but they must be presented with a fine sense of contrast, and their length is a question of seconds.

It is extraordinary how a sketch may be spoiled by being a little too elaborated, or its climax come too tardily off, and how a dance or a ballet may lose its effect by being inserted in the wrong place.

The sporting gesture of the American comedians and Ada May in giving up their salaries to keep the revue going for a fortnight, and of Mr. Cochran agreeing to withdraw the notice to the rest of the company, is one which should appeal to all playgoers.

Another Essay in Humour.

By Tom Wright.

Under the hat I am wearing is a head that suffers, a mind that is sad. I have been bereft of my beloved Boina. I first saw Boina in her native Spain, a couple of years ago. She was dark and lovely, and I fell in love with her there and then. O, the light touch of her gentle caress upon my head! All the world loves a lover, they say, but all the world can be bored by a lover's ravings. I will not inflict upon you the details of how I proceeded in order to make her mine. Enough to tell that she became mine, came to me and has been my constant companion—until that day last week when a team of footballers came to my hotel. Younger men than I, athletes, more attractive in every way; but robbers and ravishers. Bah! Boina left me. I left her temporarily in the patio. When I came back for her she was gone. Anxiously I searched and enquired, but found no trace. O, Boina! It is possible to learn in suffering more than one can teach in song. For example, I have unsuccessfully tried to voice my grief in verse:

Black you were, but comely,
Boina of Spain
And I may not mourn dumbly
the half of the pain
that came when you left me
a' by my lane.

No doubt a better poet could make a better job of it, but none could feel more strongly my sense of loss. To avoid the misunderstanding of censorious persons, I had better explain that a Boina is a Basque or Vascon cap—an item of headwear, if you must know. I gave six bob for her, and I'd give another six to meet the scoundrel who abducted her.

Two returned banished were sentenced to twelve months' hard labour each by Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. They were Chan Fat, serving a sentence of ten years which he received in 1920, and Tam On, serving a sentence of ten years received in 1928.



"I ask a bit more than most, Ma'am, but I've worked for nearly every family in the neighbourhood and you'll find me interesting to talk with."

CONSTRUCTION CO. MEETING.

THINKING & ACTING IN TERMS OF SILVER.

FUTURE PROSPECTS.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., to-day, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga reported that for the first time since the formation of the Company in 1922, the trading account had shown a profit.

The two main factors producing the satisfactory result were stated to be increased building activity in Hongkong and the rigid economy exercised by the Company, particularly the elimination of expenditure on a gold basis.

A warning was, however, uttered that the abnormal building activity might not be of long duration, and with the growing intensity of competition, profits were likely to be proportionately reduced.

Chairman's Speech.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting and the auditors' report, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, You have had the report and statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930, for the period prescribed under our Articles. With your permission, I will take them as read.

It affords your Board of Directors much pleasure to meet you to-day with results of the Company's working for the past year that may be considered quite satisfactory. This is the first occasion, since the formation of the Company in 1922, that the Trading Account has shown a profit, and your patience, exercised over a period of nearly ten years, is now to be rewarded with a small dividend.

The balance sheet and Profit and Loss Account give in detail the figures that need be presented to you in order that you may arrive at a correct idea of the position of your Company. There seems no need for me to comment on individual items in the balance sheet, although I should perhaps mention, with regard to "Sundry Debtors, Deposits, etc., less Reserve \$49,543.60," that the whole of this sum is well secured.

Big Depreciation.

You will have seen from the Profit and Loss Account that, after charging working account with the comparatively large sum of \$16,819.57 for depreciation, as well as providing for Auditors' Fees, Managing Directors' and Directors' Fees, the profit, together with interest and transfer fees, amounts to \$57,441.55, which enables your Directors to recommend that a Dividend of 15%, or 30 cents per share, absorbing \$28,650.00, be paid in respect of the past year, and that the balance of \$28,791.55 be carried forward to the credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year 1931.

It is in pursuance of a conservative policy that your Directors have decided to write so large a sum as \$16,819.57 off buildings, plant, machinery and equipment, and motor truck and junk, etc. These various assets now stand in the books of the Company at figures considerably below replacement cost. In view of the rapidly deteriorating nature of the Company's equipment and appliances, I hope you will agree that the policy I have just mentioned is the correct one, rather than the paying away of a larger percentage of profit in dividend to shareholders.

Two Main Factors.

You will probably like to be informed as to the factors contributing to the satisfactory result achieved during the past year. There were two main factors influencing these results. The first was the great extent of building operations carried on in Hongkong; and the second, the rigid economy exercised in all departments and, in particular, the total elimination of all expenditure on a gold basis, even where salaries of the technical staff were concerned; for it must be remembered that the Company's earnings are all in dollars. Except in the case of certain materials used in certain classes of work which we have to undertake and into which the gold factor enters, your Directors' practical policy has been to think and act in terms of silver dollars only, always, however, keeping in mind the inevitable contingency of sterling obligations in the matter of replacement of plant and appliances. We will continue in your interest to pursue this policy.

Intense Competition.

At the same time, I think it is due to you to state that the present abnormal building activity may not be of long duration and that remunerative contracts may not always be within the means of your Company to secure. We must be alive to the fact that competition has to be faced, and with its growing intensity, profits are likely to be proportionately

ROBBER CHIEFS QUARREL.

ONE KILLED AND ANOTHER BADLY WOUNDED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Apr. 21. Reports from Namhoi tell of a serious quarrel between two bandit leaders, which has resulted in the death of one and serious injury to another.

It appears that the two chiefs, Lai Kung-chuen and Ho Tang, have for some time worked together as heads of a considerable band of robbers in the Namhoi and Chungshan districts, but recently they parted.

Meeting a few days ago, they quarrelled, and Ho Tang is said to have seriously wounded Lai with a pistol.

The firing of shots attracted Lai's followers, who machine-gunned Ho Tang and killed him instantly, his body being literally riddled with shots.

The quarrel took place in an opium den in the village of Shau-tai, in Namhoi district, where the bandit leaders unexpectedly found themselves occupying adjoining bunks.

Lai Kung-chuen is seriously wounded, and is not expected to recover.

On the other hand, every effort will be made to retain valued clientele with which we maintain friendly and profitable connections.

The year under review is notable for an important decision affecting the Company. This decision was arrived at at an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders, held on the 10th September last, when a resolution was submitted to you for a reorganization of the capital of the Company.

The capital reduction was duly effected after all legal requirements had been complied with, with the satisfactory result that your Directors have since been able to place before you.

You will recall the fact that at one stage of the Company's existence, not so long ago, doubts existed in the minds of certain shareholders as to whether the Company should go into voluntary liquidation or whether another effort should be made for the successful conduct of your business before winding up was decided upon.

A Wise Decision.

A private meeting of shareholders was held on the 22nd April last year to go into the question in all its bearings. The shareholders at that meeting decided by a large majority to carry on. The wisdom of that decision has been justified by the results shown in the report and accounts now under review.

It will be remembered by those who attended the private meeting I have just referred to, that your Directors informed the shareholders that it was their policy to restrict the Company's operations to certain classes of work only, for the time being. We considered at the time that such a policy would be a wise and prudent one, as in the then financial position of the Company it might not have been in your best interests to embark on large undertakings. That policy, however, in the opinion of your Directors, may now be modified. We feel, with the improved financial resources we now possess, that we are justified in recommending a change of policy in substitution for that which restricted us to certain classes of work that may not always come our way and that could only be secured on an intensely competitive basis. I need hardly state that this change of policy is made in the best interests of shareholders in the view and in the belief that a wider and more profitable field for the Company's endeavours will be open to us. In the absence of any expression of opinion to the contrary at this meeting, I will take it that you, in the best interests of shareholders as a whole, endorse the proposal of your Board regarding the change affecting the Company's future operations.

Staff Commended.

You will realise that your Directors' best efforts may not be capable of achieving satisfactory results without the loyal support of the Company's staff. It is gratifying for me to record that we have on all occasions received willing assistance from all members of the staff, without which it would have been impossible to present you figures like those I have just reviewed to you.

During the year Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., was invited to, and accepted a seat on, the Board of Directors. On the departure on leave of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt. from the Colony, Mr. Lo Cheung Shiu was appointed an alternate director in his stead.

Gentlemen, I think I have fairly summarised to you all the important features of last year's working results incorporated in the report and statement of accounts for 1930. I now move that the report and statement of accounts as pre-

Jack Diamond Arrested.

Amazing Torture Allegations.

FIRE UNDER FEET

New York, Apr. 21. The notorious gangster, Jack "Legs" Diamond, King of the New York Underworld, who has hardly recovered from the wounds he received at the hands of enemies last year, was arrested at Catekill, in New York State to-day, and it is believed that he will be charged with torturing a lorry-driver who was transporting liquor belonging to a rival.

The sensational arrest followed even more sensational allegations made on the appearance before a



Jack "Legs" Diamond.

to-day with second degree assault on Parks, and pleaded not guilty.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Grand Jury of a middle-aged lorry-driver, named Parks. The victim's face was covered in bruises and scratches and he was in a state of nervous exhaustion.

He alleged that Diamond and two confederates held up his lorry near Acra on Thursday of last week, beat him up, and then tied him to a tree with his feet over a fire, because he refused to answer questions about a load of liquor he was delivering.

Later, Jack Diamond was charged

sented he adopted and passed, that a dividend of 15% on the issued capital of the Company (as reduced), or 30 cents per share, be declared in respect of the year 1930, and that the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the past year, less such appropriation, be carried forward to the credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year 1931.

After any one of you, gentlemen, has seconded this motion, I shall be happy to furnish any further information relating to these accounts, if questions are submitted to the chair in connexion therewith.

Mr. Joseph Gould seconded the adoption of the report, saying that he would like to take the opportunity of congratulating the Board on the results shown, which indicated that the Company was now on a sound footing.

The report and accounts were carried unanimously.

Other Business.

Confirmation of the appointment of Sir Elly Kadoorie to the Board was given on the proposition of Mr. M. H. Lo, seconded by Mr. A. Zimmermann, and on the motion of Mr. P. Figueiredo, seconded by Mr. A. H. Basto, Messrs. J. Scott Harston and J. T. Bagram were re-elected to the Directorate.

The re-appointment of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors to the Company was agreed to on the proposition of Mr. A. A. Botelho, seconded by Mr. M. A. Gomes.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga presided and was supported by Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. J. T. Bagram, Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu (Directors), Mr. A. R. F. Raven (General Works Manager) and Mr. B. Alves (Secretary), and the shareholders present were Messrs. A. H. Basto, A. Zimmermann, A. A. Botelho, A. Figueiredo, M. A. Gomes, and Joseph Gould.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants were now ready and must be applied for either personally, or in writing, at the Company's offices.

AN EXTRADITION POINT.

QUESTION OF BAIL ARGUED.

FUGITIVE'S RIGHT.

The legal position of an alleged fugitive from justice who has agreed to waive the formality of extradition proceedings but declines to be returned under a police escort was discussed before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police this morning, in the case in which a Chinese from Penang is being proceeded against in connexion with the alleged larceny of 75,000 Rupees from a foreign firm there.

Making an eleventh-hour appearance in the case, Mr. Hinchling Lo informed the Court that he had been instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist to appear for the fugitive, in proceedings which he understood to have been taken under the Fugitive Offenders Act of 1881. He now asked for a date to be fixed for the hearing of the case. Meantime, he wished to be informed whether the accused was detained by the police on a provisional warrant or by an endorsed warrant sent over from Rangoon which His Excellency the Governor had backed through his Worship. These were small details which nevertheless were of importance to the defence.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, representing the "private prosecutor" in connexion with the criminal charge against the fugitive, said the Sub-inspector from Rangoon, who was to be the escort, had arrived here. The case here was in the hands of Sub-inspector Elston, who at the moment was conferring with Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds. He (Mr. Macnamara) thought the best thing was to remand the case until to-morrow morning for the attendance of this police escort from Rangoon.

"Apparently the accused has changed his mind about going back to Rangoon," commented Mr. Macnamara.

Mr. Lo said he must disagree. The accused had not changed his mind; what he did not wish to do was to be compelled to go back with an escort. In point of fact, he did at one time ask his Worship to be permitted to go on a visit to Amoy first without an escort.

His Worship, granting Mr. Lo's application, fixed the hearing for the afternoon of the 28th instant.

Bail Provision.

The question of bail was then brought up by counsel, who said the right, both of giving a remand and of granting bail, was prescribed for the Court under the provisions of the Home Act under which the present proceedings were brought. Under that Act, the accused had a right even to ask for bail himself, a right even greater than a man against whom extradition proceedings were taken.

His Worship observed that the large sum of 75,000 Rupees was in question. His Worship provoked smiles when he further remarked that a Rupee with the present rate of exchange ruling against them, was worth more than a dollar.

Mr. Lo, replying, said that nevertheless bail was a privilege prescribed by the Act which might not be denied the accused.

Mr. Macnamara opposed bail. He asked his Worship to hear the case for the police first, as there were other factors which had not, hitherto, been brought to the notice of the Court.

Police Attitude.

Sub-inspector Elston, who appeared in Court at this moment, said he was instructed to say that in this case, the man was charged with felony so that although the Magistrate had power to order that bail be granted, the Public Prosecutor (Mr. Fitzroy) said that the accused had no right to demand bail in a case of felony. "I ask for a remand until to-morrow morning, for the production of the Sub-inspector from Rangoon and his warrant. I am told that if the man produced a warrant and if your Worship is satisfied that the warrant is correct, your Worship has that right to order the return of the accused. It is not a question of extradition—it is not a question where a man cannot be sent back provided the warrant is in order, whatever the charge may be."

Mr. Lo, replying, asked his Worship to read Sections 5 and 29 of the Act conjointly, with the Section mentioned by the police officer. Where the accused returned a denial, as in this case, the Court had got to be satisfied that the legal evidence supported the felony charge. The Police officer also said that in case of felony, the accused had not the right to demand bail. "I am not demanding bail," said Mr. Lo; "I, on behalf of the prisoner am applying for bail. This Court has the power to grant bail."

Accused's Right.

Mr. Lo proceeded to explain his point fully, stressing the wide

HOME FOOTBALL YESTERDAY.

ROCHDALE IN DANGEROUS POSITION.

London, Apr. 21. Rochdale may have to seek re-election to the Third Division (North) following a home match to-day which they lost to Darlington. Hartlepool are two points behind them, but have a much better goal average and a game in hand.

The results of games played to-day follow:

The revised Northern table follows:

Division III (North).

Rochdale 1 Darlington 2

Southport 3 Wigan 1

Scottish League.

Queen's Park 2 Kilmarnock 0

The revised Northern table follows:

Goals

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Lincoln 39 24 7 8 90 50 55

Chesterfield 40 24 6 10 91 54 54

Tranmere 40 24 6 10 110 69 54

Wrexham 40 19 12 9 88 51 50

Southport 39 20 8 11 84 55 48

Hull 39 19 9 11 94 50 47

Stockport 41 19 9 13 73 58 47

Gateshead 40 15 13 12 67 64 43

Wigan 40 19 5 16 74 82 43

Carlisle 40 18 5 17 89 70 41

York 40 17 6 17 80 79 40

Accrington 41 14 9 18 79 105 37

Darlington 40 15 9 16 69 58 39

Doncaster 40 13 10 17 64 62 36

Rotherham 39 13 10 16 70 77 36

Halifax 40 13 9 18 62 81 35

Barrow 40 14 6 20 64 87 34

New Brighton 41 13 7 21 48 72 33

Crewe 40 13 5 22 62 90 31

Rochdale 41 12 6 23 61 105 30

Hartlepool 40 11 6 23 65 83 28

Nelson 40 6 7 27 42 104 19

NEW TRADE CREDIT BANK.

LIKELY RESULT OF MR. NORMAN'S VISIT.

London, Apr. 22. Worldwide financial repercussions are predicted from the visit of Mr. Montague Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, to America.

While Mr. Norman himself maintains the closest secrecy, it is believed that while in America he discussed with the financial authorities plans for the formation of a world Trade Credit Bank to finance countries whose purchasing power has fallen heavily through the slump in commodities. If the plan is successful, it will be of the greatest importance in speeding the return to world prosperity.

Possibly, Mr. Norman may announce details of the plan at the forthcoming meeting of the Bank of International Settlements at Basle. It is understood that Russia would participate in credits granted by the new Bank.—*Reuter.*

THE AIR MAIL TO AUSTRALIA.

EXTENSION OF INDIAN SERVICE.

London, Apr. 21. The Postmaster General announces that the Indian Air Mail leaving London on April 25th will again be extended experimentally from Delhi to Port Darwin, Australia, and correspondence for the Straits Settlements, Malay States, Australia and New Zealand will be despatched by it.—*British Wireless.*

RUBBER'S NEW LOW RECORD.

ANOTHER DROP RECORDED IN LONDON.

London, Apr. 21. Rubber fell to-day to a new low record of 2.13/16d. per pound on the London exchange. This is 1/16d. lower than yesterday.

A month ago the price was 3 3/4d. and a year ago it was 7 1/2d.

The cause of the latest fall is a further increase in excessive stocks in Great Britain.—*British Wireless.*

difference presented by a case where, although the accused might not have the right to demand bail, (he might not more than apply for it), the power, nevertheless, (he might not more than Magistrate to grant it.

Sub-inspector Elston said they had had instructions from the court that when the accused returned to Rangoon, other serious charges might be preferred against him. The police were in the position of being able to produce the escort with the warrant.

His Worship said he would adjourn the case until to-morrow morning and with it the question of bail raised by Mr. Lo.

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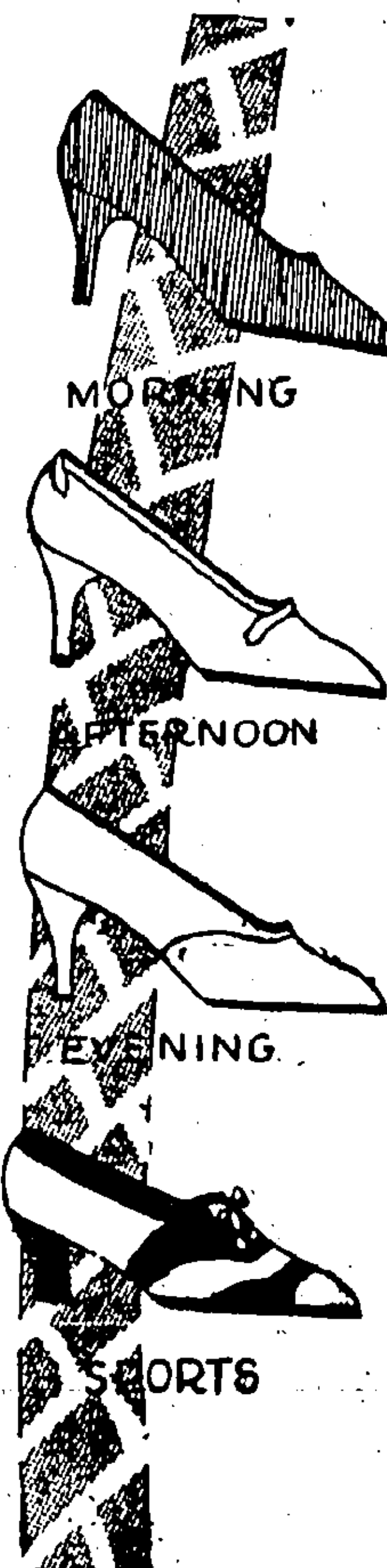
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CINEMA NOTES.

AMERICAN HISTORY IN "BILLY THE KID."

"Billy the Kid" which will open at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, has been added by King Vidor of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to the rapidly increasing list of pictures dedicated to various phases of American history.

"Billy the Kid" relates the stirring happenings at Lincoln, New Mexico, during the famous "cattleman's war" of 1879 and 1880. The career of William Bonney during that time is the crux of the wildest point the wild west ever reached.

Other pictures in the history class are "Janice Meredith," "The Covered Wagon," "The Birth of a Nation," "Abraham Lincoln" and "The Big Parade."

"Janice Meredith," a Marlon Davies production, covered the period of the Revolutionary War. "The Covered Wagon" took up the case of the pioneer, "Abraham Lincoln" and "The Birth of a Nation" immortalized the Civil War and its after effects.

"The Big Parade" was epic of American participation in the World War. "Billy the Kid" occupies a period between "The Covered Wagon" and the present day. It concerns the period in the late '70s when the west had grown both rich and lawless.

William Bonney was the most distinctive figure of this era. A product of his time, he defended his friends with his pistol. He thought nothing of open warfare with other men. He was the ring-leader of the famous McSwain gang in the Lincoln County war.

"The Kid's" greatest attribute was his courage," stated King Vidor, director of the picture. "The man lived by violence and died violently, but possessed a bravery and capacity for leadership which, in more peaceful times, would have made him a valuable citizen. In telling his story, we are not mitigating his misdeeds. In fact, we tell them with all truth, because I feel his example will prove to all young boys that you can't get away with breaking the law."

John Mack Brown plays "The Kid" and Wallace Berry gives another of his admirable characterizations as Sheriff Garrett. Kay Johnson has the feminine lead.

Technicolour Beauties in "Whoopee."

Colour in motion pictures is bringing before the public a number of great beauties who are at present unknown to film-goers, although their pulchritude is celebrated on Broadway. Two striking examples are Ethel Shutta and Eleanor Hunt who play leading roles in "Whoopee," the Gloriana Ziegfeld-Samuel Goldwyn all-technicolour film now at the Queen's Theatre.

Some of the new stars will be actresses of the legitimate stage who had failed in black and white camera tests. It is pointed out by Dr. Herbert T. Kalmus, President of the Technicolour Corporation. Others will be obscure extra girls in Hollywood. Girls from all walks of life will gain their big chance because colour will reveal their true charm.

With scores of feature productions in technicolour showing throughout the United States next year, it seems certain that 1931 will see the rise of great beauties who are at present entirely unknown to motion picture audiences," Dr. Kalmus said.

"Recent improvements in the technicolour process have made it possible to reproduce flesh tints accurately and the exact colour of hair and eyes. While this is not of so much importance in photographing men, it is vital in presenting women on the screen. Now, when you see a close-up of an actress in colour, you see her exactly as she would appear on the stage, from a seat in the front row. Beauty is not so much a matter of face as it is colouring and at last the motion picture producer is able to give you his stars exactly as they appear in the flesh."

"Their beauty, also, is enhanced by colour in costumes and in settings. Many of the stars now in motion pictures will be reglorified in colour. Motion picture fans will find that they have not realised the true beauty of some of their favourite actresses. It is not unlikely that colour will discover great beauties among the extra girls in Hollywood-girls who have been snubbed by the black and white camera."

The coming of technicolour into motion pictures is going to tame the camera. It probably will not sound the knell of many of the girls now established as screen favourites. They and their hair-dressers and the lighting experts and the make-up men, have learned how to fix up their blemishes and to turn bad lines into good lines. These girls will suffer only in those cases in which the colours of their eyes and their hair, are by nature, undistinguished, but which may have been satisfactory in black and white.

"The Boudoir Diplomat."

"The Boudoir Diplomat," Universal's sophisticated comedy of manners which comes to the Central Theatre to-day, served to reunite director and two players who worked together on "The Grand Duchess and the Waiter" one of the most successful pictures in the career of Adolphe Menjou.

Inn Keith, who is seen as the philandering bachelor, Baron Valmi, appears in the same role that he played in the original stage version of the play. The story traces the tangled love affairs of Valmi and his ladies whose husbands are high in the European diplomatic service.

Mary Duncan has an important role in the Universal comedy of continental life, narrowly missed being a lawyer! After her graduation from high school, she spent two years at Cornell University, studying law, but finally decided that she preferred the stage to the bar, and promptly enrolled in a dramatic school.

Lionel Belmore, easily called as one of the screen's leading transatlantic commuters, even though he has not crossed the ocean in the past 20 years. But during his earlier stage career he divided his activities

R.A.O.B. CLUB AT BILLIARDS.

"AT HOME" TO THE JUNIOR N.C.O.'S CLUB.

The members of the R.A.O.B. Club were "at home" to the members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Stonecutters Island, on Monday and a very interesting and friendly game of billiards was played in the presence of a good gathering of spectators.

The result of the games showed that a very keen interest was taken by the players of both sides:

R.A.O.B. Club.	Jr. N.C.O.'s Club.
Elliott 85	Willis 160
Holt 150	Coast A. 142
Welham 122	Combey 160
Murray 112	Gorst P. 160
Cullen 150	Fenley 84
Turner 150	Benson 76
Total 768	Total 762

The honour of the highest break was gained by Willis.

Members and visitors also indulged in a friendly game of Darts, with the following results:

Cullen and Murray (R.A.O.B.) lost to Willis and Benson.

Humphreys and Gates (R.A.O.B.) lost to Casey and Swatton.

West and Davey (R.A.O.B.) beat Fenley and Paton.

Welham and Elliott (R.A.O.B.) beat Combey and Wellington.

Tanner and Clark (R.A.O.B.) lost to Gorst P. and Combey.

During the evening, the Chairman of the R.A.O.B. Club, in a happy little speech welcomed the members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, and hoped that they would take back with them memories of a well spent evening among "Bipedic Buffaloes."

Mr. Willis, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the members of the R.A.O.B. Club for their kind invitation, and hoped that at some future date a return match would be arranged at Stonecutters.

Darts Prizes Presented.

An interesting little ceremony was performed by the Chairman during the evening, in presenting the prizes won during a recent Dart Championship Tournament, held at the R.A.O.B. Club for members of the Club.

The Champion Dart Player, Mr. Welham, was handed the Championship Cup, which he holds for one year, and also a replica of the Cup as a reminder for his prowess as a Dart Player in 1931.

Mr. Turner being the runner up was also presented with a suitable souvenir to mark the occasion. Both recipients suitably replied and in accordance with time-honoured custom the Championship Cup was duly filled and passed around.

The members of the R.A.O.B. Club will be "At Home" to the members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Lyemun on Monday, April 27, when it is hoped that another enjoyable evening will be spent.—Continued.

CRICKET CLUB'S NEW PAVILION.

MORE FACILITIES FOR CIVIL SERVICE SPORTSMEN.

One of the earliest landmarks in the history of the Civil Service Cricket Club—its present pavilion—is in the course of demolition. But it is to be replaced in substantial form, and only a sentimental loss will be felt.

Standing for 28 years as a testimony to one of the biggest advances achieved in a single year by the Club and its supporters, the pavilion, which succeeded the original matchbox, is now in the course of being pulled down, to make way for improvements to Morrison Hill Road and the footpath leading from the monument to the Hongkong Football Club, which are being effected by the Public Works Department.

The Club, however, fully alive to the position have lost no time in drawing up plans for the erection of a new "house." These have been passed, and by the end of September an entirely new concrete edifice will adorn the Civil Service Recreation ground. Actually this has given the Club the opportunity of providing its members with even better facilities than those enjoyed in the old clubhouse.

It will be a somewhat larger building, one wing of which is to be built across the nullah which now borders the playing field, and another wing will run alongside. The new premises are to be of reinforced concrete, with verandahs running half way round, which, it is proposed, will be used for wheel drives and other forms of social entertainment.

The present facilities of a refreshment bar and lounge will be retained, and in addition there will be a ladies' lounge and dressing room, and a gentlemen's car room. It is expected that the structure will take six months to complete, so that it should be ready for use in September.

The present clubhouse was erected in 1903, when debentures were issued, and were paid up in quick time. The cost then was a mere \$3,000, which, as an official of the Club expressed to a representative of the Press, was sufficient indication of the cheapness of building in those days. No indication was given as to the cost of the new building.

between England and America, and made a total of 33 round trips across the Atlantic.

Lua Keith is one of America's greatest students of Shakespeare, and has played in a number of plays, including "The Merchant of Venice" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Betty Compson's engagement as a leading feminine player constituted a veritable homecoming to the Universal studios, where the picture was made.

HEROIC RESCUE OF A BABY.

GROPING IN BLAZING ROOM.

Taunton, Mar. 18. Three babies lost their lives in a fire which broke out early this morning in the Wild Oak Nursery Home, a large, rambling building at Trull, two miles from here.

A fourth baby, who was sleeping in the same blazing bedroom as the others, owes his life to the bravery of an 18-years-old youth, Harry Coles, the son of the Taunton fire brigade chief, who cycled to the fire before the brigade reached the scene.

The names of the dead children are: Eric Sargent (ten months), Brian Bennett (nine months), and Edward Edwards (12 months).

"Like a Furnace," when he arrived, found nine nurses and the proprietress, Miss Nelly Rogers, who between them had carried 29 other children to safety. They were gazing piteously at the flame-lit passage outside the bedroom where four sick children lay helpless in their cots amid the flames.

"Save them! Save them!" sobbed the women. The heat and smoke made it impossible for anyone to get into the room from inside the house, and Coles dashed to the back of the building. He climbed to a glass verandah roof, and from there reached the window of the babies' bedroom. This he smashed with a large stone which he had carried with him, and plunged into the smoke and flame-filled room. He said later:

It was like a blazing furnace. I stumbled about half-dazed for a moment or two, keeping a handkerchief over my mouth as a sort of gas mask because of the thick smoke. Then I came across the first cot, in which was Leonard Cockram, the little boy who fortunately is now recovering. Second Gallant Effort.

The woodwork of the window was blazing and the raincoat which I was wearing had also caught fire. I swung the child by its clothes to one of the nurses who had climbed half-way up he ladder.

I turned back in search of the others. The flames were then really fierce and my nose, legs, and hands were scorched. I found another cot ringed with flames and picked up the baby whose burning clothes dropped off.

By this time I was choking, and I only just got to the window before I realised that I could not stand any more. I climbed out to get air, and then I heard the fire brigade on the scene.

Fireman Addicott brought out the other two children (who were dead), although he was frightfully cut in his rescue efforts.

Nurse Sansome who climbed the ladder, in catching Leonard Cockram fell and badly injured her ankle.

Owing to the early arrival of the fire brigade the fire was confined mainly to two rooms and the passage on the second floor.

The parents of many of the children are overseas, and others are unable to have them with them.

THWARTING THE SPES.

MR. MACKENZIE'S WAR WORK AT ATHENS.

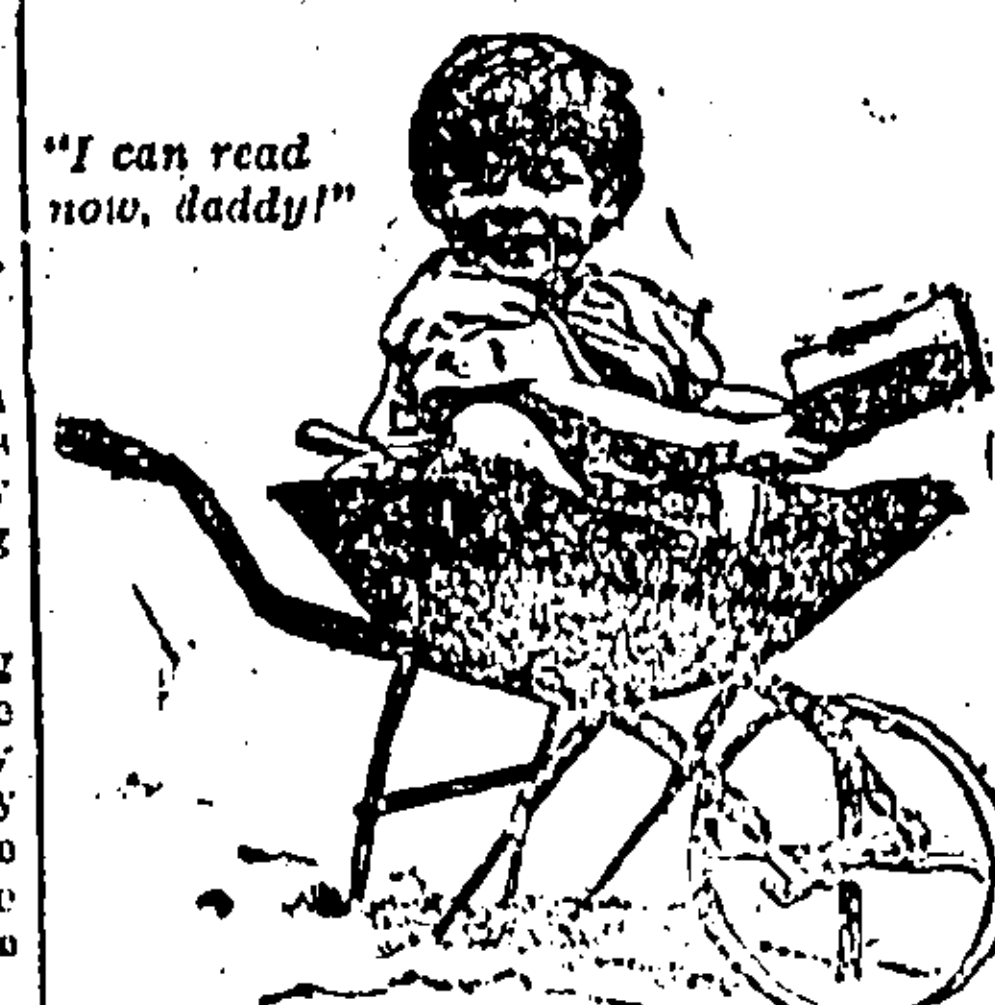
Mr. Compton Mackenzie, the novelist, who, after being attached to Sir Ian Hamilton's staff at Gallipoli, was transferred in the summer of 1916 to the Intelligence Service in Athens, exposes in First Athenian Memories the melodramatic uselessness of this organisation after a year of war, and emphasises the gross bungling by which Allied diplomacy threw away Greek support, incurred the distrust both of Venizelos and King Constantine, and drifted into the costly Salonica adventure.

"The treatment of Greece during the Great War was one of the most disreputable examples of 'muddling through in our history,'" writes Mr. Mackenzie very justly.

The British Foreign Office led the hand-to-mouth existence of a street conjurer, producing out of a battered old Whitehall top that Thrace, Cyprus, Macedonia, and badly cut chunks of Asia Minor to earn the pennies of a sceptical Balkan audience. We in Athens came each by his own road to his own policy, and finding there was no policy at home, each of us tried to carry out his own.

Relations between Constantine and the British Minister in Athens, Sir Francis Elliot, for whom Mr. Mackenzie has a great respect, were not harmonious.

King Constantine's attitude towards Sir Francis Elliot was that of a popular young prefect very good at games, who was expecting to be lectured by an assistant master on



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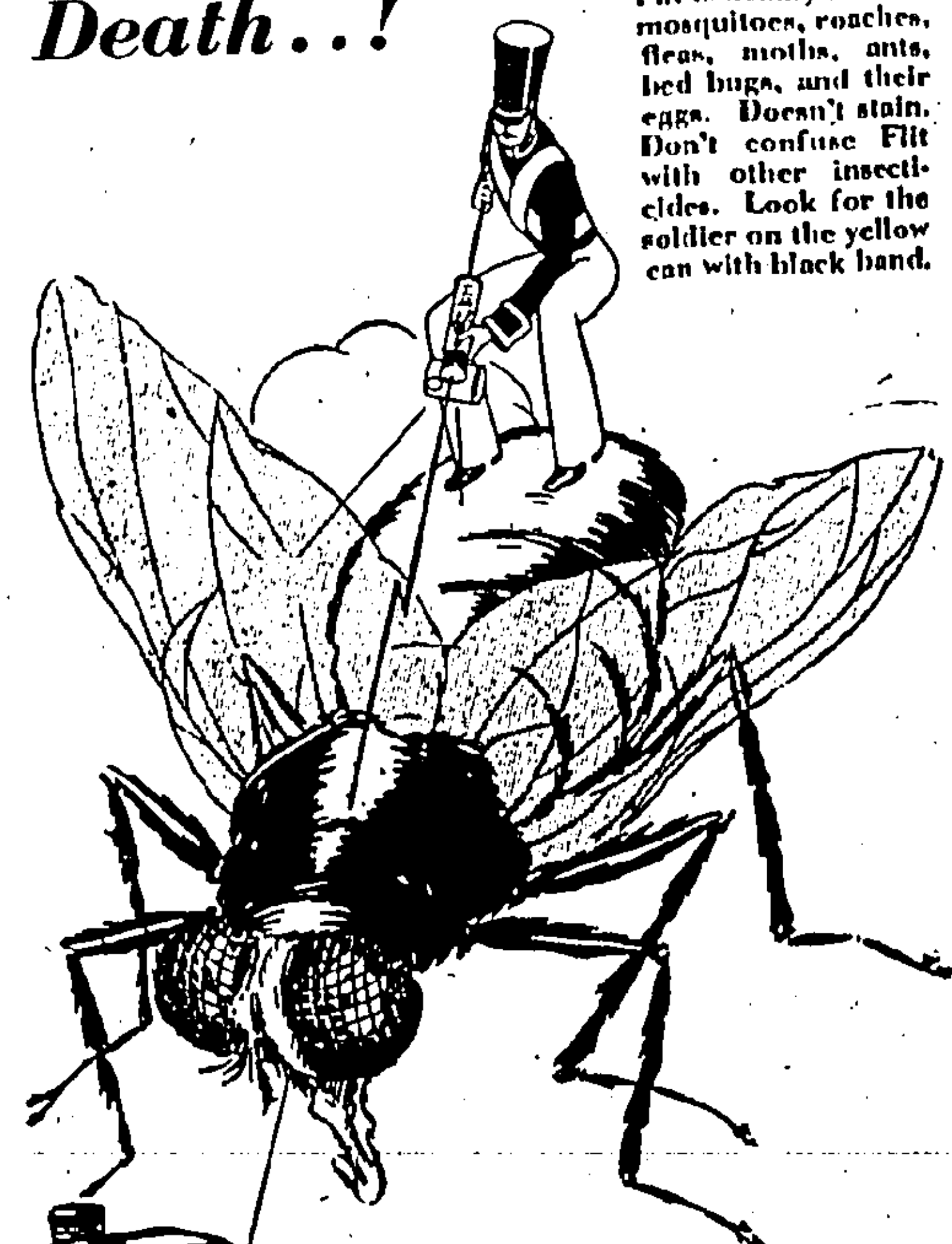
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the management of the house, and who felt that his crackling average entitled him to resent such interference.... A gift for flattery was essential in dealing with King Constantine and never was man so incapable of flattery as Sir Francis.

Melodrama Characters. Mr. Mackenzie brings his narrative in this book, a sequel to "Gallipoli Memories," to the beginning of 1916, when the Comte de Requefeuil arrived in Athens to transform the of counter-espionage in Athens.

ALFONSO'S ORDER TO FRIENDS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Dover, where the public was excluded from the quay, which was strictly guarded by police until the King had entrained for London.

At Victoria, the exiled King had a tremendous welcome from large crowds of sympathisers and members of the Spanish colony, though the greatest precautions against a possible attempt on his life were taken.

Hundreds of police and fifty detectives were on the scene. There was no formality on the platform, which was carpeted. Alfonso being treated as a private citizen. He was accompanied by the former Spanish Ambassador in London, the Marquis Merry del Val.

Another Exile.

A welcome surprise awaited the King when he arrived at Claridge's Hotel. He was greeted by ex-King Manuel of Portugal.

Alfonso was accompanied from Paris by the Duke of Miranda only. He dined alone, not even his close friends being admitted to the Royal apartment.

Reuter was informed that Alfonso's visit to England is "solely connected with the future of the Infante Juan, who is joining the British Navy, and will commence naval studies at Dartmouth Naval College." *Reuter.*

Queen Deaths.

Paris, Apr. 21.

A most affecting scene was witnessed today when Queen Ena of Spain and her children left their hotel for Fontainebleau. Her Majesty and her daughters were tearful. *Reuter.*

MORE SOVIET DEATH SENTENCES.

WOMAN AND FIVE MEN GET FULL PENALTY.

Riga, Apr. 21.

One woman and five men were sentenced to death by the Soviet Court at Yezemex at the conclusion of a spectacular five days' trial in which thirteen men and three women were charged with counter-revolutionary activities by attempting to influence peasants from entering collective farms.

In addition to those sentenced to death, one woman and four men were sentenced to ten years' forced labour and the remainder to periods of from three to five years. *Reuter.*

PRINCE TO VISIT LISBON.

DUE IN PORTUGAL ON SATURDAY.

London, Apr. 21.

H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, who is travelling homeward from South America in the s.s. Arlanza, will reach Lisbon on Saturday. He will go ashore and pay an official visit, later attending a banquet in his honour, to be given by the Portuguese President.

The same night, he will join H. M. S. Kent, which is proceeding to Lisbon to meet him. *British Wireless.*

FORCED LABOUR IN COLONIES.

GENEVA CONVENTION TO BE APPLIED.

London, Apr. 21.

A White Paper issued in London states that the British Government propose to apply in all its self-governing colonies (which includes Hongkong) and in all protectorates and mandated territories, without any modification, the draft convention and recommendations concerning forced or compulsory labour, which was adopted at the International Labour Conference at Geneva in June last. *Reuter.*

TRIBUTE TO MONTAGU NORMAN.

AGAIN ELECTED GOVERNOR OF THE BANK.

London, Apr. 21.

Mr. Montagu Norman, who arrived in London to-night from the United States, where he has been secretly conferring on international finance problems, including the depreciation of silver prices, with American financiers, has been re-elected Governor of the Bank of England for the eleventh time.

His is the longest tenure of the post in the history of the bank. *Reuter and British Wireless.*

SIR JOHN SIMON ON INDIA.

URGES NEED OF PATIENT STUDY.

London, Apr. 21.

Sir John Simon, speaking at the London University to-night, said it was the paramount duty of British people to make a close study of the Indian Problem. Pledges had been given to the Indian people to which every Party was committed, and from which not one would dream of drawing back.

But, added Sir John, before any one could usefully consider the alterations to the present very complicated constitutional structure of India, they must study patiently what it was, because whatever the new constitutional plan—and he trusted it would be an ampler and more generous plan—it must inevitably be superimposed on the existing foundations. *British Wireless.*

FREE TO LOVE AGAIN.

COUPLES STRANGE REASON FOR DIVORCE.

Berlin, Mar. 20.

Johannes and Helena Klinker, a good-looking young couple, appeared in a Berlin court to ask the judge to grant them a divorce.

Johannes admitted that he had been unfaithful to Helena, and Helena admitted that she had been unfaithful to Johannes, and they both declared that a further spell of married life was intolerable.

The judge granted a divorce and ordered each of them to pay half the costs.

The moment the verdict had been given an astonishing change came over the two. Their hostile feelings vanished and they smiled and shook hands as if they had always been the best of friends.

"Now we are free and can fall in love with each other again," said Johannes, offering his arm, and out of the court they went with the air of a newly married couple.

"And that is what they call 'married love,'" exclaimed an elderly woman in the court, looking at the retreating couple in disgust.

LIMCHOW DUE ON FRIDAY.

SALVAGE WORK WELL IN HAND.

The work of salvaging the steamer Limchow, which grounded in Hainan Strait, is proceeding rapidly, and it is expected that the vessel will reach Hongkong some time on Friday.

According to the Naval authorities this morning, the salvage crew on the tug Henry Keswick have nearly completed the repairs to enable the ship making its way to Hongkong. The tug Henry Keswick is expected to begin to tow the Limchow at about noon to-morrow.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris.....	121.27½	121.29½
Geneva.....	25.22½	25.23
Berlin.....	20.41½	20.40½
Oslo.....	18.17	18.17
Helsingfors.....	18.17	18.17
Buenos Aires.....	37.3.16	37.7.16
Athens.....	1.75	1.75
Shanghai.....	485.15/16	485.15/16
New York.....	12.00½	12.10
Amsterdam.....	18.14½	18.14½
Stockholm.....	24.56½	24.56½
Vienna.....	48.75	48.75
Madrid.....	8.17	8.17
Bucharest.....	32½	32½
Montevideo.....	11.13/16	11.13/16
Hongkong.....	1.05	1.05
Colon.....	18.16½	18.16½
Canton.....	92.77½	92.77½
Prague.....	16.14	16.14
Lisbon.....	108.25	108.25
Rio.....	3½	3½
Bombay.....	1.16.13/16	2.0.13/16
Yokohama.....	2.0.13/16	2.0.13/16
Silver (spot).....	13½	13½
do (forward).....	13½	13.3/16

—British Wireless.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that a somewhat deep depression is central over N.E. Japan. An anticyclone has formed over N.E. China.

There were two cases of small-pox and one case of diphtheria reported to the authorities on Monday. The completed return for last week gave one non-fatal case of small-pox and one fatal case of typhoid. There were 62 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

The Consul for Japan and Mrs. T. Yoshida announce that, in celebration of the birthday of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan, a reception will be held at their home, 7A, Conduit Road, on Wednesday, April 29, from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.

YOURA GULLER'S SECOND RECITAL.

ANOTHER ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE.

Youra Guller's second piano recital yesterday evening was one of the memorable events of the season—one of those occasions which the audience will remember, long afterwards, as we look back on Pavlova, Heifetz, Levitzki and the English Singers. The number of people who attended was larger than before—not so many as this pianist is accustomed to, but quite a fair attendance for a sticky night in Hongkong; and whatever may be said of the size of the audience, there was no doubt about its enthusiasm, which increased as the recital proceeded. Mlle. Guller's light, delicate works to open her recitals, showing the many gradations in soft tone-colour which her technique commands; and she ends the first group with a big work—this time the Bach *Prelude and Fugue in G minor*—which reveals in addition to the clarity and perfection of style, her dynamic power and fullness of tone in portamentos. Her performance of this great work was outstanding, and remarkable even among its interpretations at the hands of artists whose names are household words.

The middle section of the programme consisted of Chopin's *Sonata in B flat minor*. In the first two movements, which Youra Guller interpreted with fierceness and a full measure of impetuosity except, of course, the charming centre section of the Scherzo, her disabilities in playing on that particular piano were more obvious than in the other pieces. The instrument is seldom played on, and in damp weather such as we have been experiencing, it is far from having an ideal touch here that are not constantly used. This factor increases enormously the difficulties of the pianist, who in this case was still suffering from the sprained ankle, noticeable at her last recital. She triumphed over these disabilities, but one felt that she herself was not altogether satisfied with some of the effects produced, especially in the Scherzo. In the *Funeral March* movement she showed her gifts as a true musician, imbuing this much-mutilated composition with the right spirit which alone can hold the audience breathless, intent on each chord and completely absorbed in the music. Her rhythmic playing of this section was a great achievement, as was her rendering of the *piano* at the close.

There is very little sentimentality or mawkishness about Mlle. Guller's playing of Chopin—she is one of those artists who imbue his works with virility and robustness—and this fact was again emphasized in the *Mazurkas* which followed. By request, she repeated two of the Spanish pieces which were such a feature at her previous recital, and in conclusion a most dazzling performance of Liszt's *Mephisto Waltz*. The musical worth of this last composition is negligible, but as a medium for displaying the virtuosity of the pianist it is unsurpassed. Until we heard this piece we were unaware of the full range of Mlle. Guller's marvellous technique, a fact which is all to the credit of the player, since she is a true artist and places musicianship before virtuosity. She received an ovation at the close and had to give two encores—Mendelssohn's *Rece's Wedding* and a *Russian Dance* from Stravinsky's *Petrushka*.

Besides the many congratulations offered to Mlle. Youra Guller, gratitude to the Hongkong Musical Society was freely expressed. These two recitals have been the first to be definitely organised by them, and knowing the difficulty of arousing any enthusiasm over a piano recital in Hongkong, they are probably more satisfied with the measure of support accorded to them than is the pianist herself. A noticeable feature was the almost entire absence of the Chinese and Portuguese musical communities, about a hundred of whom received the usual postal intimations; with adequate support, which is usually forthcoming from both these quarters, Mlle. Guller would have had a full house.—"ALLEGRO."

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penbreath and Co.

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REFORMING THE COMMONS.

MR. CHURCHILL'S PROPOSAL.

Mr. Winston Churchill, giving evidence at a meeting of the House of Commons Committee which is considering parliamentary procedure on public business, said he was in favour of devolution to local bodies much larger than any at present in existence in this country. He continued:

"I am also in favour of an economic sub-parliament, which would guide and aid the House of Commons in all commercial business and on many financial questions."

Mr. Churchill was asked to submit a memorandum on his proposal for an economic sub-parliament after Easter.

He said he believed it was more important for the House of Commons to be a grand forum of debate than a machine for passing all kinds of Bills into law, and added:

All the trouble we are suffering from is because of the facility with which Bills are passed. The Statute-books of this country are encumbered with legislation as some of the Statute-books of the South American States.

Except in times of war or of national emergency, Mr. Churchill said, Parliament ought not to sit more than five or six months. When he first went to the House they used to sit for six months, and there were six months of peace for the country without Parliament being in session.

He was partially in favour of making Parliament more dramatic, with a revival of the "fiery, intense, brashness of great public questions."

NEW YORK'S MAYOR REPLIES.

CLAIMS TO HAVE DONE HIS DUTY ADEQUATELY.

Albany, Apr. 21.

"I have adequately and conscientiously done my duty. I ask the charges to be dismissed. They are unwarranted, false and recklessly made," said Mayor Walker of New York, in a 15,000 word reply to the report of the City Affairs Committee issued last month. *Reuter's American Service.*

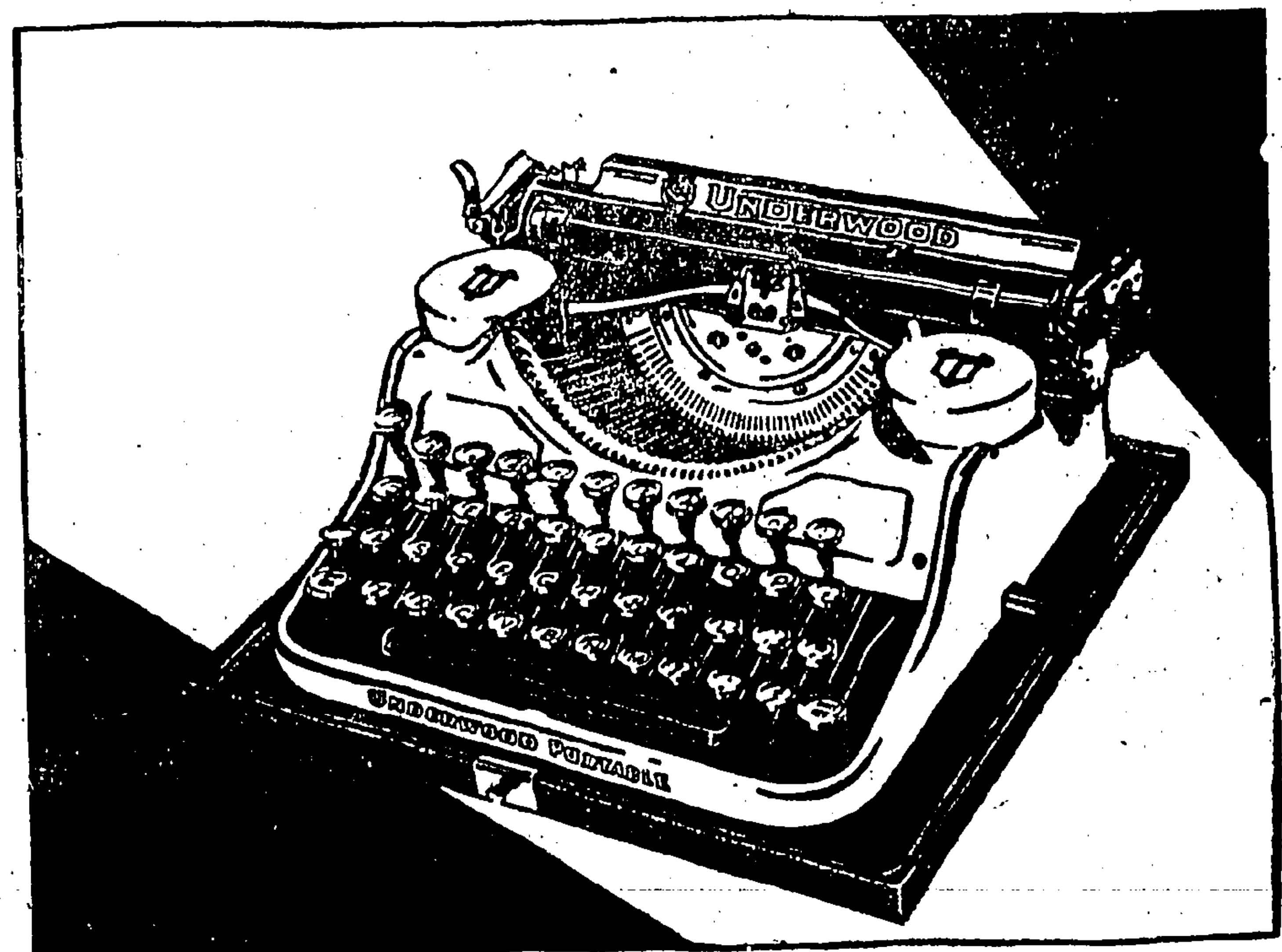
[A New York message of March 18 stated:

Formal charges that Mr. James

Walker, Mayor of New York City for some years past, has discharged his duties in a "wasteful and incompetent fashion," are made by the City Affairs Committee, whose report was published to-day by Governor Franklin Roosevelt, a close friend of the Mayor.

The Committee, which is a private organisation of leading citizens, says that Mr. Walker's "conduct in office has been incompetent, inefficient and futile, and as a result of this, the machinery of government has failed to function and the administration of the city has been brought into disrepute." Last week, a petition was sent to Governor Roosevelt by the Society for the Prevention of Crime which, without impugning the Mayor's integrity, demanded "some proof that he really desires to clean up the city."

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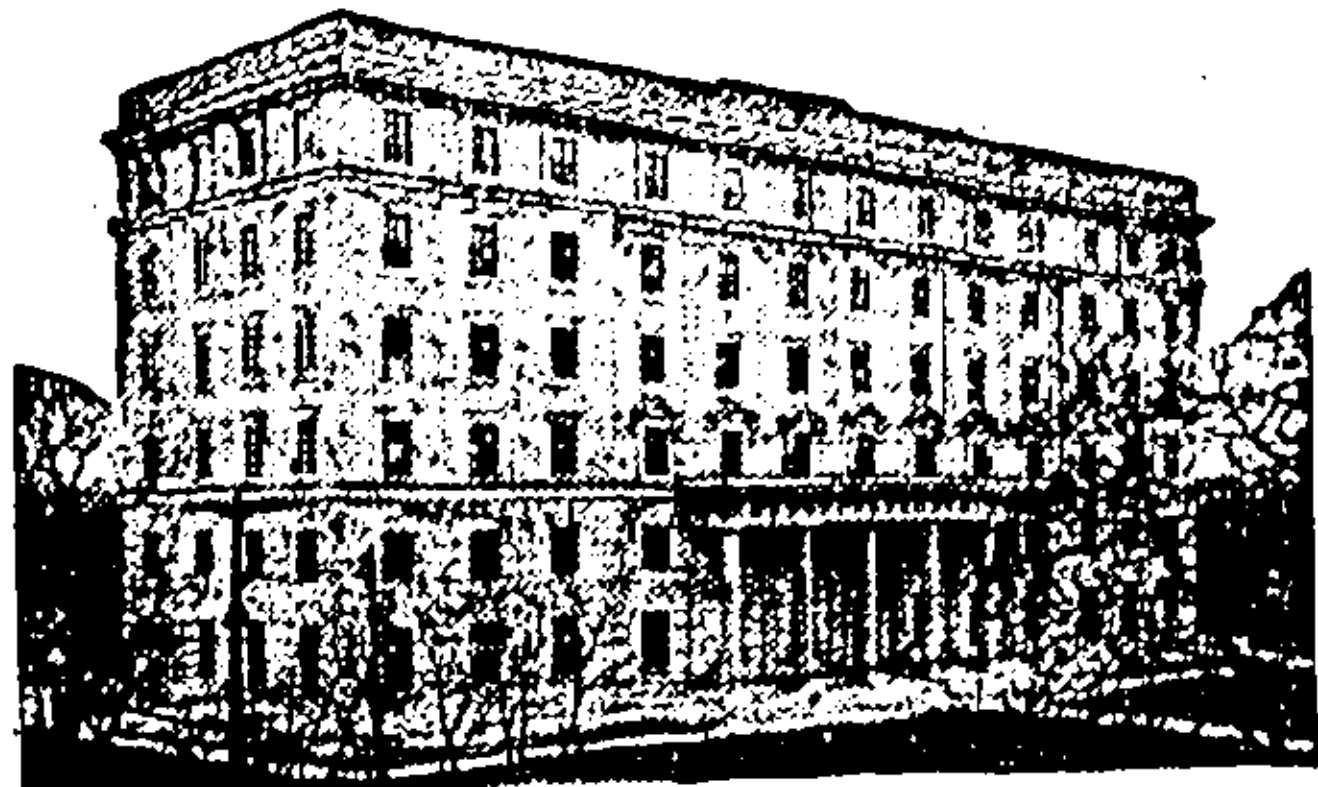
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LOCAL SCOUTS IN
TRAINING.

CAMP FOR PATROL LEADERS
AT SAI WAN.

On Saturday afternoon a party
of Patrol Leaders, complete with
Patrol flags and kit, met on Blake
Pier, to journey by launch to the
Boy Scouts Training Camp at Sai
Wan for a special week end Train-
ing Camp.

The harbour was a little choppy,
and even after boarding the launch
half a dozen or so, land Scouts of
course, decided upon the greater
comfort afforded by tram! How-
ever, there was no need for alarm,
for after leaving North Point,
smooth waters were entered, and
at Lyceum a number of boys
were easily transferred to the Sea
Scouts "gig" with an efficient band
of Sea Scouts in command. Sai
Wan was reached, the boys, stores
and kits were landed and carried to
the Camp in record time and
without a hitch. The Sea Scouts
providing the necessary rowing
party from the launch to the
beach.

Camp Craft.
Sites being allotted, tents were
pitched, and the newly formed
patrols (formed from all troops
specially for this camp) were soon
friends, as though they had known
each other all their lives, and all
made themselves so completely at
home, that one could imagine they
had lived at Sai Wan always. In-
stead of which, until Friday last,
some of the patrols had not seen
each other possibly, and while
some had seen Sai Wan from the
distance, quite a number had never
seen it, nor been there, such is
the spirit of scouting. Upon com-
pletion of "Occupation," a brief
talk by the Commissioner for
Hongkong on the object of the
camp, the breaking of the flag, and
work began, attention being first
claimed with camp "gadgets," and
those little things which make
even camp life comfortable and
homelike. Although for a week
end anything elaborate is hardly
necessary, quite a number of use-
ful objects could be seen round
some of the patrol tents. Being a
Training Camp patrols were respon-
sible for their own cooking,
and for the preparation of dinner
the camp presented a picturesque
and animated scene—with six
fires and six groups busily engaged
in preparing dinner. After this
meal had been disposed of, all
gathered in the Camp Fire Circle,
and round a real fire, solos, vocal
and instrumental, duets, choruses,
"dumb show" stunts, and war cries,
showed the Scouts to be enter-
tainers, and a most enjoyable hour
was spent. After prayers, all ad-
joined to their "homes," and
"lights out" and a tour of inspec-
tion by the Deputy Camp Chief
found all peaceful—but only in
one or two cases despite stentorous
noises (?) were boys asleep. So
ended the first day, in which
everything had worked as per
programme, and the weather fine.

Tracking and a Water.
At 7 a.m. Sunday morning, about
half the company braved the
"brink" and enjoyed a swim, to be
followed by tea and biscuits, pro-
vided from the Central Cookhouse
thus creating a healthy appetite
for the more serious meal of por-
ridge, eggs and tea which was to
constitute breakfast. While Camp
Inspection was in progress, a
heavy shower rather dumped
things, but not the spirits of the
boys, and after prayers and flag
break, knotting and lashing were
carried out in bursts of sunshine.
Camp Hygiene and First Aid occu-
pied the next session, and the
stretchers made with staves,
scarves and worthy efforts, and
showed the ingenuity of scouts—
although in one or two cases the
patient would have recovered very
quickly rather than be carried on
one, or would have been put beyond
recovery by it! Skipping lightly
to the beach, the company were
soon solving the problem which
perplexed "Robinson Crusoe," and
after their instructions would
have had no difficulty in explain-
ing to "R.C." whether Friday was
running, walking, or hop-skip-and-
jumping when he made those
tracks. The Scouts were very
keen on this, especially the Sea
Patrol, for two of their number,
beyond the hearing of the D.C.C.
had rashly wagered one of their
cuffin sausages that certain of the
footprints on the sands had been
made by a man walking backwards.
"Doug" of the Kowloon Scottish,
and "Sam" of the Sea Scouts had
made this wager, and "Doug" had
to forfeit one sausage. Fortunate-
ly there were no more competitions
before tiffin so all were able to
enjoy full rations.

The usual rest hour, with the
usual unrest, followed this heavy
meal and at 3 o'clock the patrols
were given a cryptic message
where to pick up a trail—which
then had to be followed. Only two
reached the bitter end, but one of
these failed to locate the hidden
message, so the honour went to
the Cuckoos. In fairness to the
last patrols, it might be mentioned
that some of the marks had been
obliterated, and made the follow-
ing of the trail difficult and almost
impossible.

Breaking Camp.
After tea, stores were returned,
the tents erected on the outlying

FOLK SONG AND DANCE
FESTIVAL.

TAKES PLACE AT KOWLOON
NEXT MONTH.

The Festival which is to take
place on Saturday, May 9, promises
to be of very varied interest. It will
be definitely international and
one of its principal objects is the
promotion of good fellowship
and mutual understanding among
the different races and national-
ities represented in this Colony.
It is impossible in a short para-
graph to give any idea of the full
range of the entertainment, but
mention of some of the items will
indicate that its scope is a wide
one.

England will be represented by
a variety of folk dances and songs.
It is interesting to note that the
origin of some of these dances
goes back thousands of years.
Ireland, Scotland and Wales will
also be represented by both dances
and songs. For all of these
dances the national costume will
be worn. It should be mentioned
that the Societies of St. George,
St. Andrew, St. Patrick and St.
David are interesting themselves
in the Festival.

It will be seen that Great
Britain and Ireland can provide a
great variety of national songs
and dances but those who attend
will have the opportunity of enjoy-
ing national items of very great
diversity, from all parts of the
world. There will be Chinese and
Japanese items, the German com-
munity will sing some of their
beautiful folk songs, the United
States of America will be repre-
sented, spectators will have the
opportunity to enjoy a demon-
stration of one of Spain's lovely
dances, the Portuguese are con-
tributing some national songs and
some of Denmark's ancient songs
will be sung.

In addition there will be the
Hornpipe and sea shanties, sing-
ing games, the Maypole, and selec-
tions by the band of the German
community.

The Festival will be held in the
grounds of the Diocesan Girls'
School, Kowloon, under the distin-
guished patronage of H.E. The
Governor and Lady Peel.

LACK OF EVIDENCE.

HOUSE BREAKING CHARGE
NOT PROVED.

Yip Yu-kuen, was discharged by
Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon
Magistracy yesterday afternoon,
on a charge of house-breaking and
larceny, which was brought
against him by Detective Sergeant
Fitches.

The charge against defendant
was that, on April 15, he broke
into No. 326, Nathan Road, known
as Jix's Store, and stole seven
handyknives; one table vice; fifteen
pliers; five wrench hammers;
three screw drivers; one spanner;
one wire cutter; thirteen bars of
Nestle's chocolate; twelve rings;
28 imitation jade rings; four
rosaries; six purses; twelve
cigarette holders; twenty religious
medals and sundries, to the total
value of \$160, the property of Mr.
O. F. Ribeiro. A second charge of
receiving a handyknife was also dis-
missed.

Outlining the case, Sergeant
Fitches said that the store had
been practically closed down owing
to lack of business. The com-
plainant usually visited it in the
morning and then went to work in
the town, returning in the evening.
On April 15 he visited the store as
usual and went to work. When he
returned in the evening he found
that the contents had been rifled,
the method of entry into the store
being by means of the window
from which a bar had been forced.
The following day the defendant
was arrested when trying to sell a
vice to a street hawker.

The only evidence against the
defendant was that of Sergeant
Fitches, who could only depose to
having arrested the defendant try-
ing to sell a vice, which had a
similar mark to the property stolen
from the store.

The father of the defendant was
also called by the prosecution, but
he said that he had bought the vice
from a marine hawker and had
given it to his son.

Mr. Hamilton discharged the de-
fendant, owing to lack of evidence.

districts were struck, the beach
once again saw a happy band on
pleasure bent. Some of the more
hardy ones, but only a few, tried
swimming but found the water too
cold, so a few games were indulged
in. The weather, which up to this
time had been exceptionally good
changed, and it was soon pelting
with rain. Nothing daunted,
normal duties were carried out,
brallings lowered, guy ropes
slackened, and at 7 o'clock sand-
wiches were provided, while at
8 o'clock a tired but happy band hit
the long, long, (or so it seemed)
trail from the Camp to the Shau-
kiwan Tram Terminus. During
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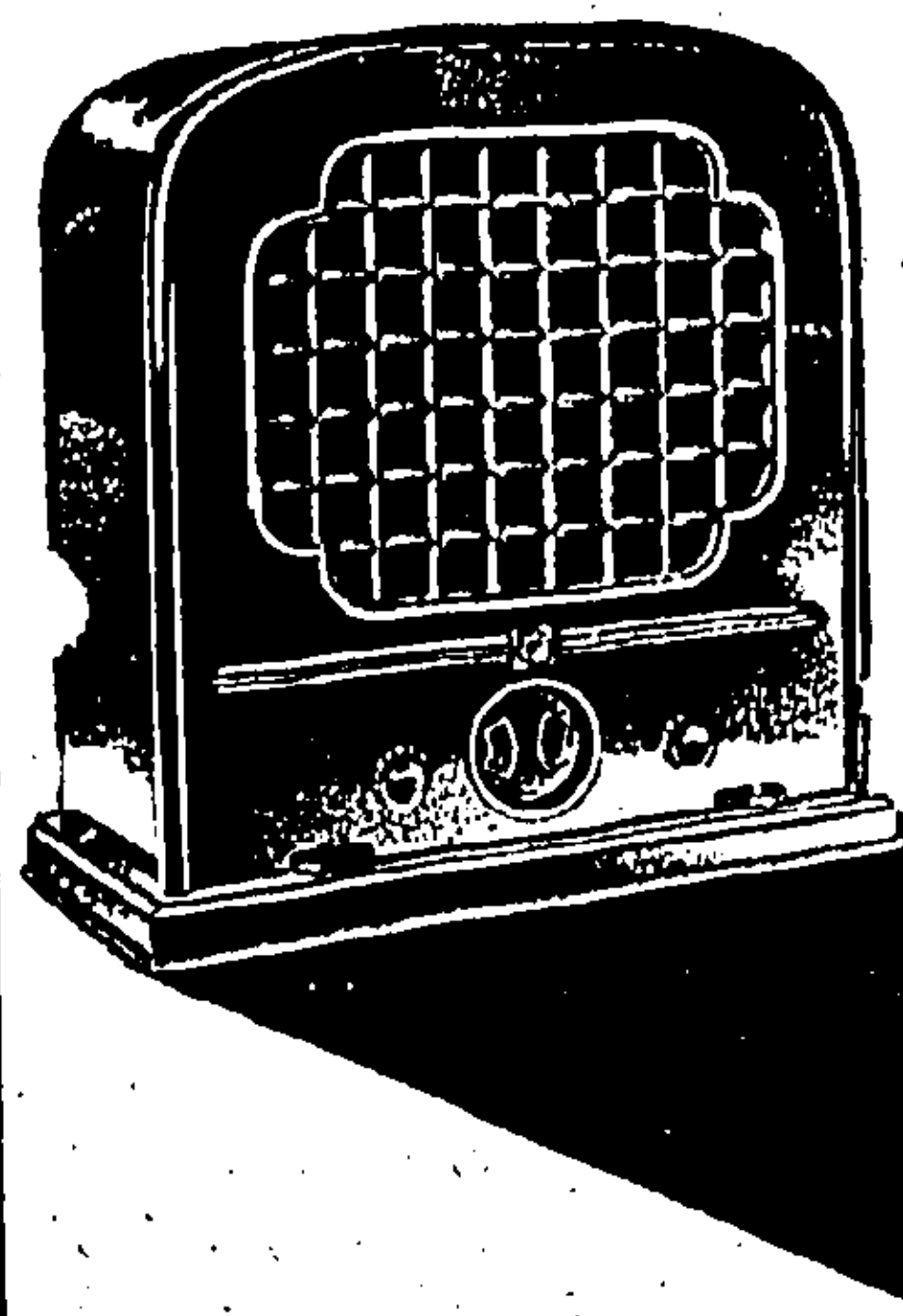
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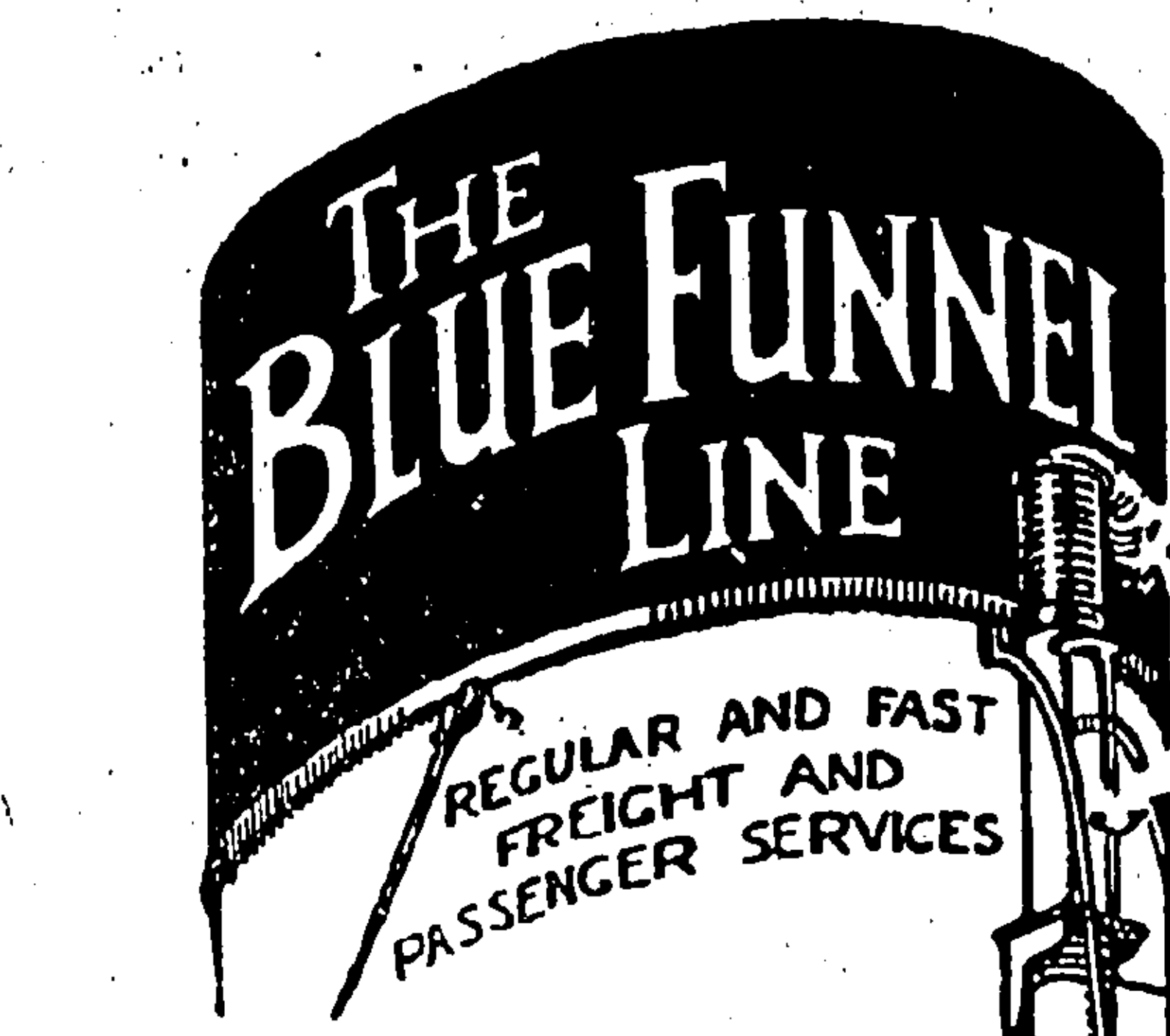
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dropped at various places on the
way home, and cheers from the
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were sixteen Chinese boys who
were most anxious to become
Scouts and form their own troop
in Kowloon, and their initiation
into the movement under such fa-
vourable conditions must have

made a favourable impression on
them, and they as "Woodpeckers"
and "Crows", adapted themselves
quite easily to the discipline and
routine of camp life.
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happy and enjoyable camp are left
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At the present time the firm occupies about half of the fourth floor of the building, but in consequence of their purchase, this will be extended.

The purchase was effected in January of this year, at a price of over a million dollars. The building is now being renamed as the property of the American Asiatic Underwriters, and from here, the new owners will control their connections throughout South China.

THE NEW SPAIN.

DEMAND FOR TRIAL OF KING ALFONSO.

Madrid, Apr. 21.

A demand for the trial of King Alfonso on political and criminal charges is made in a manifesto by the Republican and Socialist organization, urging *inter alia* the disarming of the forces of the old regime, and the arming of the forces of the Republic, and the punishment of those connected with the old regime, including Alfonso, "to whom attaches a grave suspicion of having committed not only a series of political offences but many misdeeds in connection with illegal transactions during his reign, especially in the case of the three last dictators."

It is understood that it is intended that arms for 150,000 workers in Madrid shall be stored against an emergency.

The Government is also said to propose the release of workers and warrant officers in the army from payment of income tax, regardless of the size of their income.

Feminine Influence.

The prisons administration offices of Madrid were decked with sweet-scented flowers to-day, when Senorita Kent, the new director, took charge. This is evidence of women's permeation of Spanish politics, which will be taken a step further when the Constituent Assembly is convoked, for proposals are to be submitted to it giving women the vote and the right to sit in Parliament.

The attitude of the new Government to birth control is still not clear. The question has never been seriously raised in Spain, and a prominent member of the supreme feminist council declared that there is really no demand for birth control in Spain; but a reform which the Government will certainly undertake is the stipulation for a medical inspection before marriage.

Loss of Confidence?

Madrid, Apr. 21.

The flight of capital continues, the banks being overwhelmed with applications for transfer of stocks and shares and mortgaging property.

Senor Stio, the Minister of Finance, has appealed to the banks to advise their clients to "go slow," and threatens severe penalties shortly.

Several serious bankruptcies are reported from Barcelona, where a drop in exchange is greatly worrying business men. Enterprise is almost at a standstill. The stabilisation question cannot be dealt with until a Parliament has been convoked, and the Government therefore wants to hurry on the general elections before the possibility of an unfavourable political reaction.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

ALLEGED FALSE ORDER FOR DEPOSIT RECEIPTS.

A series of charges arising out of an attempt to obtain a consignment of deposit receipts, on presentation at the printers, of an alleged forged document, were brought against two Chinese, who appeared before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon.

The first of the two men was charged with forgery of a seal, made or used by the Kwan On Loong firm, of Fung Ming Road, Shekai, and of 53, Connaught Road, Central, uttering the forged document and of attempting to obtain a consignment of deposit receipts on the forged document. The second defendant was only charged on the third count.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall prosecuted on behalf of the complainant firm, with Detective Sergeant W. E. Mendosa watching on behalf of the Police.

Detailing the facts of the case, Mr. Rendall produced a specimen of the deposit receipts issued by the firm and said that they represented deposits of the face value of \$50. The idea was that they were sold to customers who may use them as negotiable instruments at any of the firm's branches in Chung Shan. They were used in the same way as bank notes were in Hongkong, and therefore, forgeries would not be known to the head office for some considerable time afterwards.

Continuing, Mr. Rendall mentioned that the receipts were printed by the Commercial Press Ltd. on March 9, the printers received a letter asking for 1,000 copies to be printed in the same way as formerly. The letter bore a chop, which it was hoped, would be proved to be a forged chop and was written by somebody not in the complainant's employ or on their instructions.

Defendants Arrested.

The departmental manager of the Commercial Press made a note that the Kwan On Loong should be communicated with to enter into a contract which should be signed. When this letter was accordingly sent the Kwan On Loong realised that something was wrong. They wrote to the printers informing them that they had no knowledge whatever of the letter and that the order placed was entirely unknown to them.

Before the Commercial Press had received that reply, however, the first defendant, who had delivered the letter to the Commercial Press, appeared again on March 11, bearing another letter signed by him, giving details of his requirements and asking for the receipts to be delivered on March 30. In the meantime, whilst they were still waiting for a reply from the Kwan On Loong, the Commercial Press had prepared their block and other material for the printing of the documents.

On March 30, the first defendant telephoned, asking if the goods were ready. He was told to call for them but later the second defendant called at the Commercial Press on behalf of the first defendant to take delivery of the documents. He was then arrested and on his information the first defendant was subsequently arrested.

Mr. Rendall read a letter written from Chung Shan to the first defendant in which the writer mentioned that two chops were being made and that money was required for the payment of certain articles. "I shall submit," added Mr. Rendall, "that letter proves guilty knowledge against the first defendant."

An Outlay of \$190.

Lau Kit-ye, Managing Partner of the Kwan On Loong, the first witness called, testified to the form which these deposit receipts took, and declared that he had never given the order for the 1,000 forms in question with the Com-

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CONCERT.

LOCAL ARTISTS TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT.

The following is the programme to be given at the concert in the Lee Theatre to-morrow night, which is organized by the Society of St. George of Hongkong, as part of the St. George's Day celebrations:—

- (a) March, "Old Comrades" Telke.
- (b) Selection, "The Rose" (Old English Melodies), Myddleton.
- Band of H.M.S. Hermes.
- Dance-Coquette, Arranged by Miss Violet Capell, Misses Rachel Wong, A. Steel, E. Ford and P. Gittins.
- Song, "The Little Dandelion" Ivor Novello.
- Mrs. Bowes-Smith.
- The Yorkshire Philosopher, Mr. W. J. Gell.
- Messrs. Winram and True will Damage the Pianos.
- Quartet from "Flora's Holiday" Lane Wilson.
- Mrs. Bowes-Smith, Mrs. Portallion, Mr. Anniss and Mr. Barton. Interval of Ten Minutes.
- Part II.
- Selection, "Pirates of Penzance" Sullivan.
- Band of H.M.S. Hermes.
- Dance—Jazz, Arranged by Miss Violet Capell, Misses P. Capell, E. Ford and P. Gittins.
- Song, "My Prayer" W. H. Squire, Mrs. Portallion.
- Songs, Selected, Lt. Col. A. R. Godwin, Austen, O.B.E., M.C.
- Messrs. Winram and True will Ruin the Pianos.
- Quartet, "Strange Adventure" Sullivan.
- (From "The Yeomen of the Guard") Mr. Bellby, Mrs. Portallion, Mr. Anniss and Mr. Barton. Finale, "Land of Hope and Glory" Accompanied by Band of H.M.S. Hermes.

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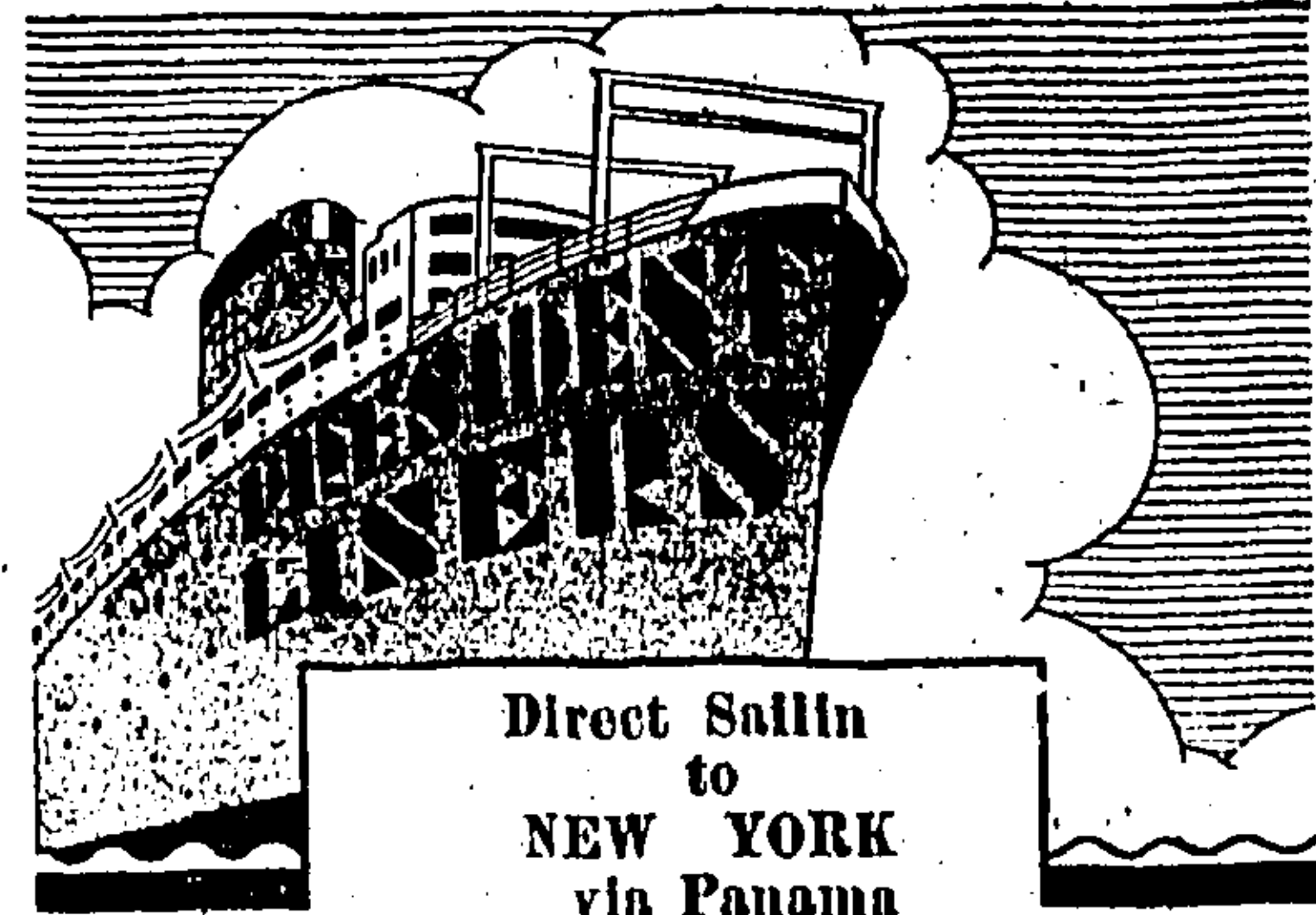
Tsui Yuk-kee, Superintendent of the Printing Department of the Commercial Press, stated that the first accused, giving the name of Yeung Tak-soi, came to him with a letter purporting to emanate from the Kwan On Loong, placing an order for the 1,000 forms, the design to be precisely the same as that of a previous order. It was agreed that \$190 should be charged for the work, and Yeung paid \$50 on account and was given a receipt by witness. "I had no reason then to suspect him," continued witness, "and I promised delivery on March 30."

A Denial.

Subsequently, witness made out an agreement in duplicate, embodying particulars of the order, which he sent, together with a covering letter, to the Kwan On Loong firm at Shekai. The Printing Department had already embarked on the job, engraving a new design for the deposit receipts, when witness was visited by two men, both named Lau, who brought a letter and convinced him that Kwan On Loong had never made out the order. He had a discussion with the two men and they left.

On March 30, a voice which witness recognized as that of Yeung came over the telephone line, enquiring if the forms were ready. On April 1st, another person, whom witness identified as the second accused, called on him with a letter from Yeung, stating that he (Yeung) had been called away to Canton, but that the bearer had power to take delivery of the forms. The second accused then paid to witness \$140—the balance of the cost—for which witness wrote out a receipt and handed it to him.

Witness, proceeding, told the Court that he kept the man engaged in conversation while a foki telephoned to the man Lau. The latter came with the police. The case was adjourned.



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TALK ON BRITISH PRESS.

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Navy cut tobacco and Nestle's milk, all excellent products, owe an enormous debt to advertising, and they were all pioneers in publicity. Whether they sought the newspapers or the newspapers sought them is immaterial—probably it was a mutual advance and embrace. Northcliffe was again early in the field, and furnishing firms, making postal shopping a matter of profit to all—except the small local trader. Every paper now pays the greatest attention to advertising, for it is an advertising that papers live. The amount from sales is only a fraction of the revenue. But the advertiser is caught by circulation. Not necessarily by big numbers but by

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Local Newspapers.

In the few minutes left for me, I want to say something of the British Press in Hongkong. The *China Mail* was founded in 1845 and the *Hongkong Daily Press* in 1847, which shows that the necessity for newspapers was felt in the very early days of the Colony. And if the Colony could support two papers then, surely four daily papers and a Sunday paper are not too much now. The great function of a newspaper is to give an accurate and complete picture as possible of what is going on in the world. When each town and even village was self contained, news was a luxury; for a commercial emporium like Hongkong it is a necessity; it is our mental electric light; we could not carry on in the dark. We must know what is happening in Canton, in China, in the world, for all these things directly affect us. There are several sources of information but for all of you the newspapers are the most comprehensive and the most important.

There is another aspect, local news. We all like to see printed accounts of our own and other peoples weddings, of concerts and plays, and sport of all kind in which we have taken part. In this Colony, where we have no politics, and no municipalities, and we do not want either for reasons which I need not stress—the papers are really the only source of information that you have of what the Government is doing.

Value of Publicity.

You may get inside knowledge of this or that, but it is the papers that tell you what is being said and done by all branches of the Government. We know the great traditions of British rule, but is there any need for me to say that things are better when the acts of public servants are subjected to newspaper publicity? Men are fallible—and it is by the papers you realise if there is an unnecessarily fallible magistrate, policeman, or this was written on Saturday, shall I say engineer. And from the point of view of the Government itself, what rumours would fly round, but for the press. How many lakhs would Carvalho Yero have taken, what would have been the rumoured "true facts" of the water famine, and of the Gaol strike. I could multiply instances. For the Government and for the people of this Colony, an alert, independent and responsible Press is a necessity.

Every week I go through our own files of 25 and 50 years ago

to select extracts for reprinting day-by-day. Even 25 years ago the paper was smaller, the cable service was of the scantiest, and local news was almost entirely restricted to the courts. Advertisements were plentiful, but far less than to-day. There were the shipping announcements, but the motor trade, the music trade and the things that women buy did not figure. The support that we get results in a more elaborate paper. It enables, for instance, those excellent picture supplements, published every Saturday by our two evening papers.

Cable Services.

A word as to cable services. Our main source is from Reuters, that great British agency. During the war, for propaganda purposes, the Hongkong Government gave the local papers indirect and generous assistance in getting a very full telegraphic service. When I was at the Imperial Press Conference in London last summer the representative of Reuters, Sir Roderick Jones, told me that this Far Eastern service was maintained at a loss. It was, therefore, something of a shock to learn, when I returned here, that the Government, for very good reasons, about which much can be said, for and against, had decided to withdraw their assistance. The problem was what sort of service would Reuters maintain? For nearly six months now, Reuters, Mr. Wilson of the *News-Paper Enterprise*, Ltd., and myself, have been negotiating with Reuters, and, thanks largely to the sagacity and persistence of Mr. Willie, our Chairman, Reuters have given a very generous contract, so generous that I do not think you will notice much difference in our cable service.

Do not, however, forget that this service is a very heavy sterling commitment—and that our paper and machinery are also sterling commitments.

A Hongkong newspaper staff is, among other things a League of Nations in miniature. In my own small team there are six different nationalities, or eight if you include Scottish and Irish as distinct, working together. I think I can say, very amicably indeed, and whatever the disadvantages of newspaper work may be, recruits are always to hand, and those who do leave generally keep touch.

Help Appreciated.

As a final word, I want to thank people here for their support. For the courtesy with which they help the reporter seeking news—a diffident youngster, believe me, suffers agonies of shyness in his work. I cannot tell you how much kindness to pressmen is appreciated, shown by the police. There are public people—none in Hongkong fortunately—who would be very much benefitted by hearing the comments that pressmen—shrewd and experienced judges of character—pass on them and their pomposities. For myself I have always had every possible help, and an editor must rely on outside help. He cannot be an expert in all things. Like a barrister he can only present the case according to what he is told, and in the light of his general experience. But information given in confidence, not for publication, he can use, more than you realise, and because this is so, "Respect a confidence" is the first article of

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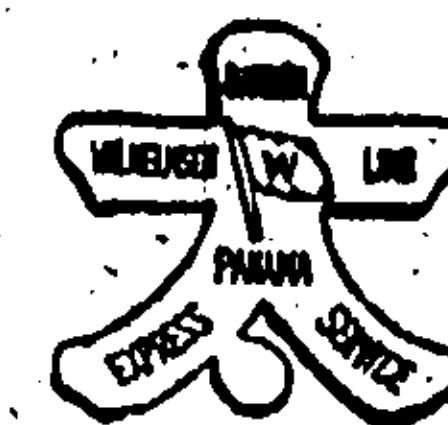
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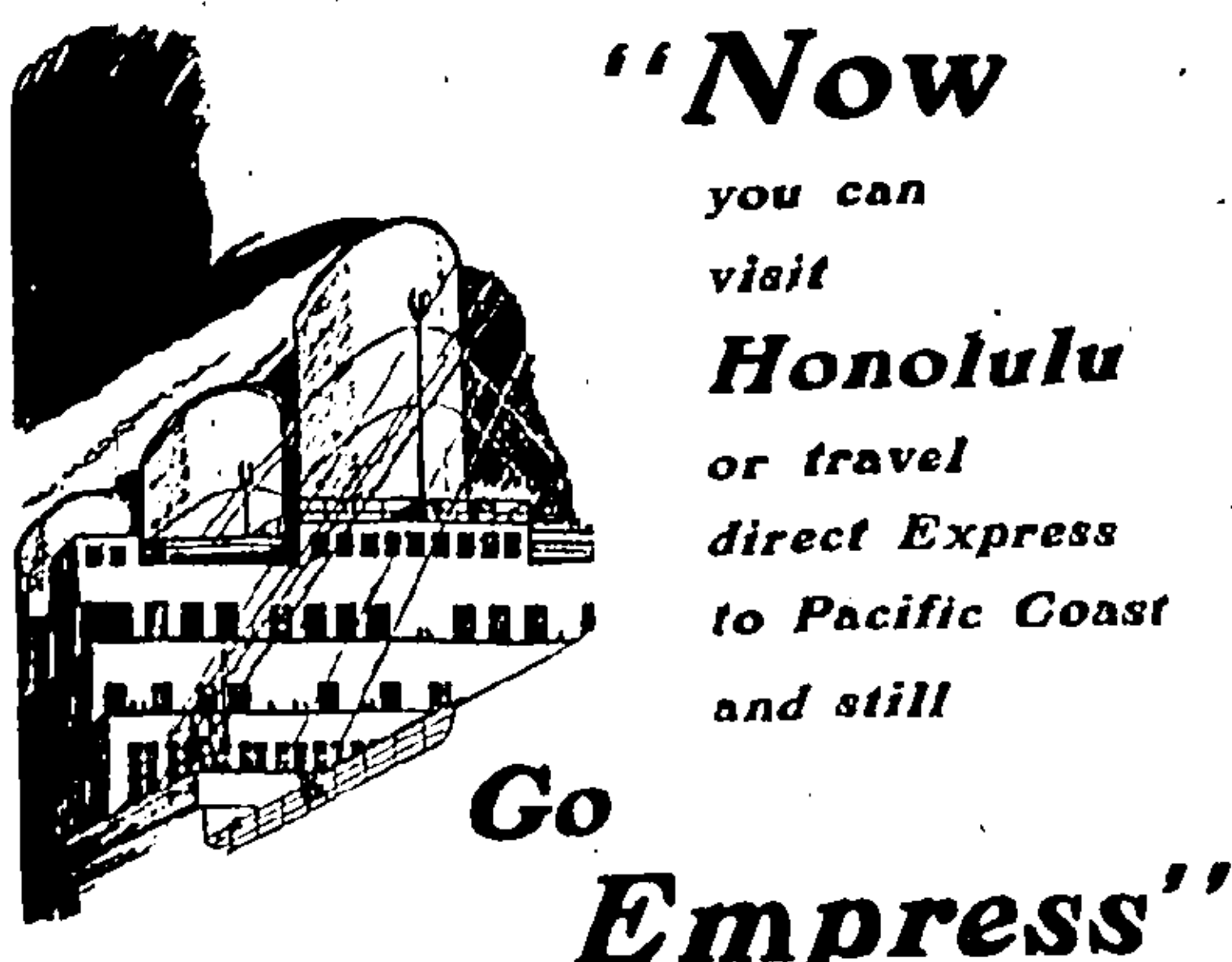
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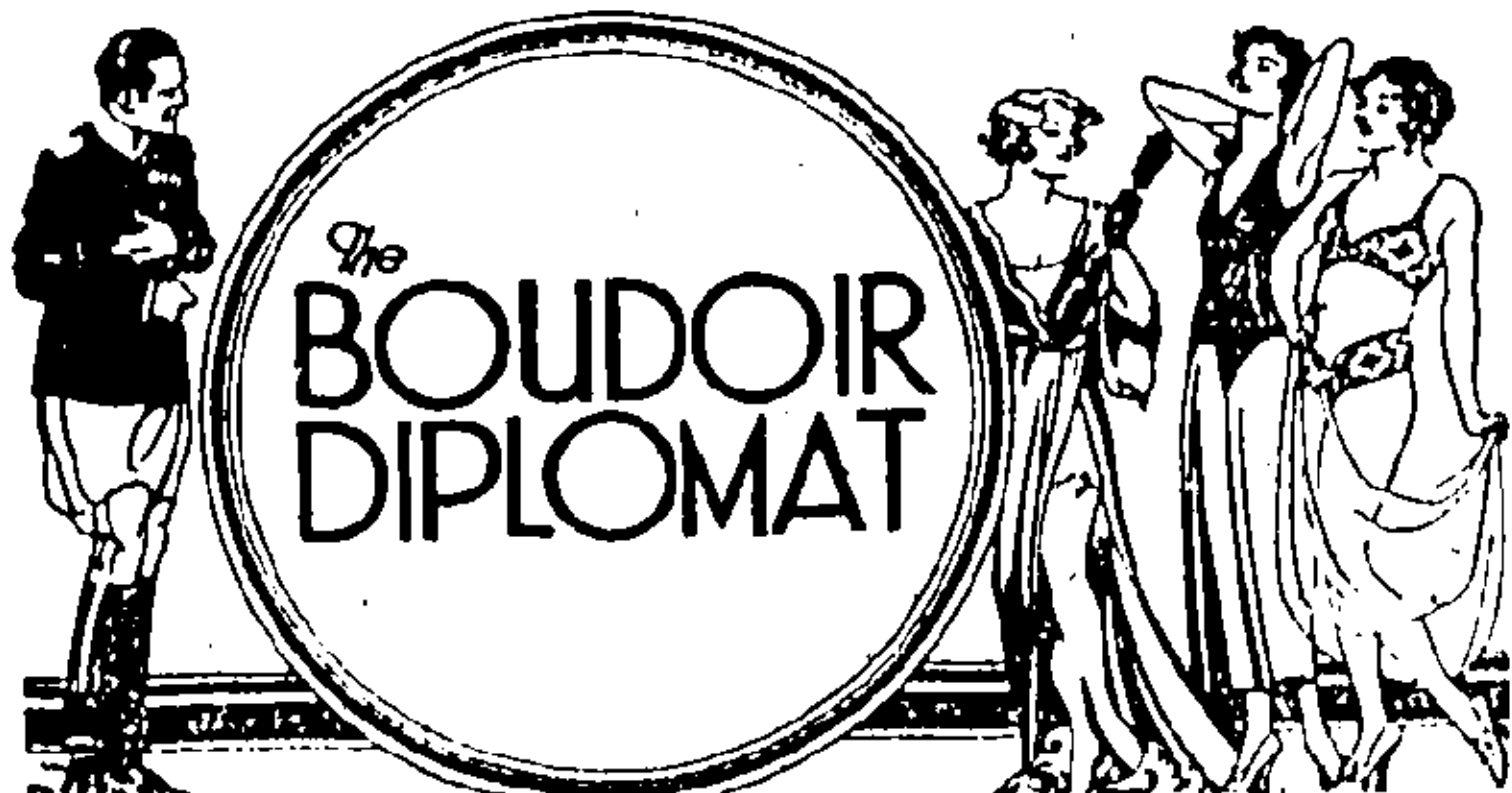
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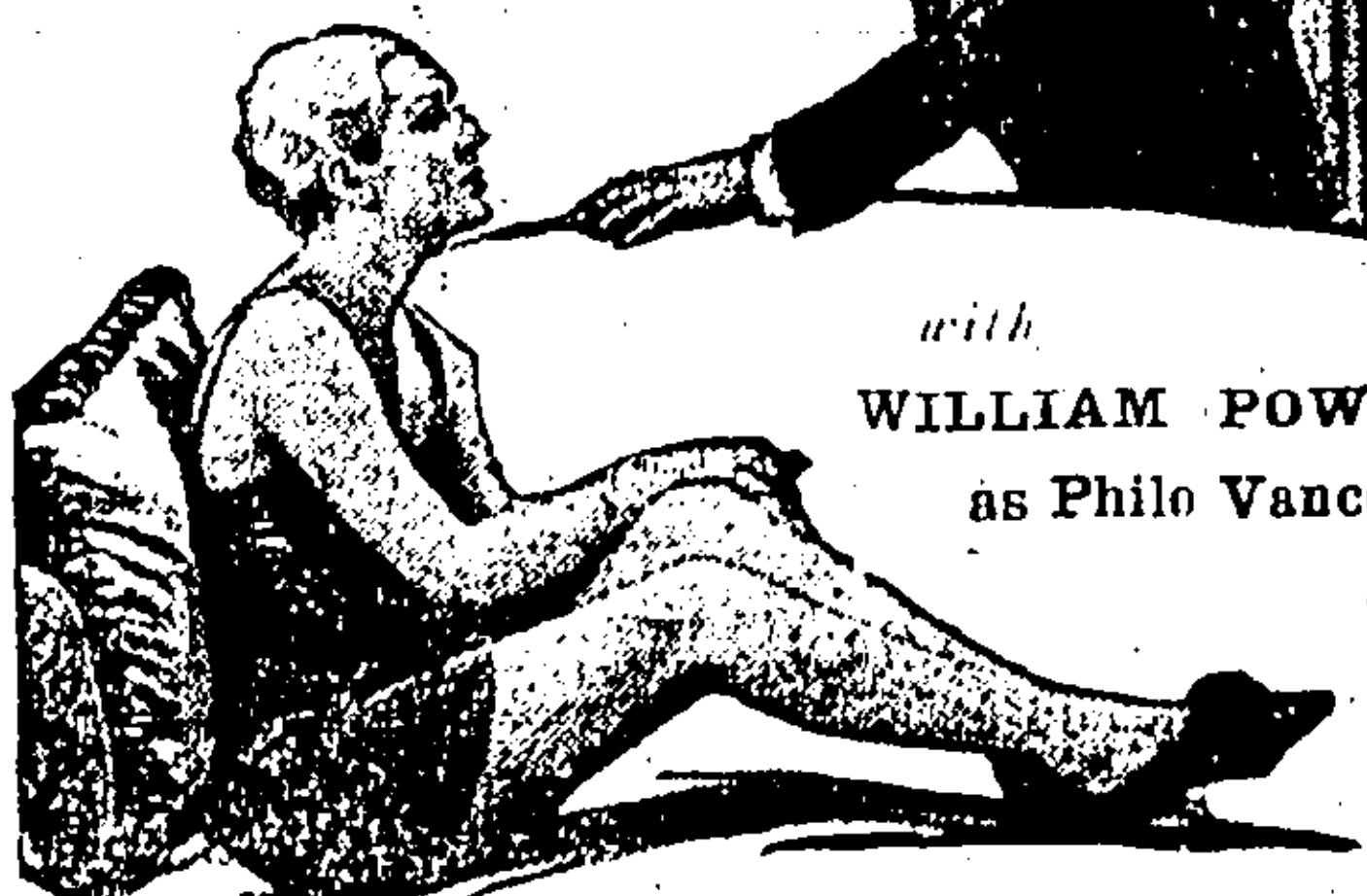
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CAMPBELL SPEED QUEST.

TO ATTEMPT TO BREAK
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London, Apr. 21.
Sir Malcolm Campbell, the famous
British racing motorist, holder of
the world's land speed record of
247.7 miles an hour, which he set
up at Daytona Beach in February,
has surprised the motoring world
by announcing that he now pro-
poses an attempt to drive his
Bluebird car even faster.

The attempt is to be made in
New Zealand, in all probability,
next year, though Sir Malcolm has
not completed any definite plans.

Before he resumes his record-
breaking quest, the Bluebird car
and its Napier-Lion engine will
undergo alterations suggested by
experience and the result of new
research experiments.

The Bluebird, after the neces-
sary modifications have been
made, will be shipped to Australia
and New Zealand in the autumn, to
be exhibited in the principal
cities.—British Wireless.

AMERICAN GRAIN SENSATION.

WHOLESALE SALES
THREAT DENIED.

New York, Apr. 21.
The chairman of the Farm Board
denies a report which has caused
a sensation and a panic in the
grain markets, to the effect that
the Board has decided to dump in
Europe the 275,000,000 bushels of
wheat it has accumulated in order
to maintain prices and benefit the
hard-pressed American farmers.

Such an action would un-
doubtedly undo any good that has
been done already, and the chair-
man, while admitting that an effort
is being made to sell by July 1,
20,000,000 bushels, says that the
suggestion of the dumping of the
whole surplus is absurd.

Despite the denial, nearly all
grain dealers in Chicago and New
York are convinced that larger
sales will be made.—Reuters
American Service.

Bank Crash in Australia.

Crisis Averted By
Commonwealth.

MERGER PLANS.

Canberra, Apr. 21.
A sensational development in
Australia's financial difficulties
was strongly rumoured to-day,
namely, that the New South
Wales Savings Bank, with de-
posits totalling over eighty-five
million pounds (£85,000,000) has
failed.

Great excitement at the rumour
was displayed in the House of Re-
presentatives, a heated debate de-
veloping, in the course of which
the members urged the Federal
Prime Minister, Mr. Scullin, to de-
clare that the Government would
make it its duty to see that the
stability of other State Savings
Banks was protected.

Mr. Scullin urged cool heads in
the present difficulties. He an-
nounced that the Bank Board was
submitting a proposal for the
amalgamation of the Common-
wealth and the New South Wales
Savings Banks, hinting therefore
at the truth of the rumour, and
suggesting that the Commonwealth
Bank will take over the liabilities
of the New South Wales Savings
Bank.

Mr. Scullin also mentioned that
the Commonwealth Bank might be
compelled to aid other institutions,
but he believed that all the banks
were solvent.—Reuters.

SUEZ CANAL DUES.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS
MATTER IN HAND.

London, Apr. 21.
In reply to a question in the
House of Commons, the President
of the Board of Trade, Mr. W.
Graham, said the complaint of
British shipowners against the
scale of Suez Canal dues was being
carefully considered, and he hoped
soon to be able to make a state-
ment.—British Wireless.

FAR EAST TEXTILE MARKET.

WILL JAPAN BE EXCLUDED
FROM CHINA?

LANCS' POSITION.

Tokyo, Apr. 17.
Commenting on recent statements
made in London by Sir Ernest
Thompson, the Chairman of the
British Economic Mission to the Far
East, spokesmen for the Japan
Cotton Dealers' and Manufacturers'
Association to-day expressed doubt
that the Lancashire textile in-
dustrialists can regain their market
in China.

The Japanese manufacturers of
cotton goods contended that even the
Japanese, with low production costs,
are finding it difficult to compete
in the China market. They insisted
that not only is China meeting a
large part of her own demand but
she is exporting cotton goods.

It was predicted here that as the
textile industry in China continues
to expand the Chinese Government
will increase its import tariff
schedules on cotton goods, thus clos-
ing the market entirely to the
Japanese as well as to the British
manufacturers.

Declaring that "there is little hope
for the Lancashire manufacturers to
expand their market in China" the
Japanese suggested that instead of
shipping piece goods to China the
Lancashire industrialists might find
a market for ready-made clothing
or other finished cotton products.

MORE FATALITIES IN NICARAGUA.

TWO JAMAICANS LOSE THEIR
LIVES.

London, Apr. 21.
In addition to Messrs. Roper and
Manning, two British West Indian
subjects who lost their lives in the
Nicaraguan disturbances, two
more Jamaicans, Messrs. Luccan-
May and Eroddey, are now reported
killed.

American Official information
states that the situation in Eastern
Nicaragua is tending to become
normal, but the American warship
is still remaining.—British Wire-
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